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Zip line, volcano, cave planned for Winterfest 2013

By ALISON ALOISIO

This winter a snow volcano will again erupt over Bethel. But it won't be the only action attraction.

Engineer Jim Sysko is also planning a zip line running from the top of the volcano, as well as a lighted snow cave at its core.

Sysko and Robin Zinchuk, executive director of the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce, presented preliminary plans for the Winterfest project to the Bethel selectmen Monday night.

Zinchuk also asked that the Town of Bethel take on the overall organizational role for the annual Winterfest, scheduled for late January.

The request, said Town

Manager Jim Doar, "is driven by insurance needs."

Last year's snow volcano was created by piling snow around a bundle of vertical logs. The logs were set on fire to produce an "eruption" effect. The snow pile also doubled as a sledding hill before and after the fire.

But Zinchuk said the insurance was very expensive. To insurance companies, she said, "Sledding seems to be a huge risk."

The town, however, is protected under the Maine Tort Claims Act, which limits municipal liability.

Zinchuk and Sysko said the sliding component

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It's harvest time at Woodward's Cranberry Farm in Albany. On Saturday Rick Woodward operated a 1950s-vintage mechanical harvester (with a modern engine) on the two-acre cranberry bog, located off the Sawin Hill Road.

(Photo: A. Aloisio)

Taxpayer goes to court over Upton home assessment

By ALISON ALOISIO

An Upton property owner has gone to Superior Court over his 2011 tax bill, arguing in part that his seasonal home's water supply - a pipe running from a brook - is not worth the \$5,000 of valuation assigned to the water source by the town.

This summer the Oxford County Board of Assessment Review (OXBAR) denied Dean Merchant's appeal on the assessment for his 19th-century former Grange Hall on Route 26.

Using a Trio property assessing software program, Upton assessing agent Wade Rainey of T.A. Associates valued it at \$58,557 as part of a 2011 town-wide revaluation.

The figure is nearly double the previous assessment. Merchant's tax bill was \$453, he said.

Early this month Merchant filed an appeal in Oxford Superior Court.

A fundamental part of his challenge was his objection to the relative values assigned to two sets of properties: those on Lake Umbagog and those back from the lake, where his property is located.

Valuations on lakefront property, he argued, were much too low compared to some selling prices for such property. On the other hand, he said, some properties away from the lake could not be sold, even at prices significantly lower than the assessed value.

Rainey has said he had assigned average per-acre values based on median-range prices on all the properties sold.

At the June appeal before OXBAR, Rainey said that in 2009 and 2010, "there was an upshot in the price of land in Upton, which was kind of a shock,

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In Albany cranberry harvest, it's all about timing

By JOYCE WHITE

On Oct. 5, the first day of harvest, deep red cranberries fairly glowed in the warm afternoon sun. Rick Woodward maneuvered a small walk-behind, gas-powered harvester up and down a section of the cranberry bog while Linda removed the filled boxes and replaced them with empty ones.

Growing organic cran-

berries in Albany is a joint venture for this couple, now married 43 years, and they work together smoothly and efficiently.

Though both have full-time jobs in their hometown of Stoughton, Mass., most weekends from April through November find Richmond (Rick) and Linda Woodward working at Woodward Cranberry

Farm in Albany.

Rick had learned the process of creating cranberry bogs - human-made rather than nature-made - while working for a bog builder on Cape Cod. He and Linda launched their own cranberry operation in 1994 when the price of cranberries was high, he said. But then the price declined as more people began grow-

ing cranberries.

Their 10-acre plot had previously been clearcut and they had to first remove stumps and debris, dig a pond for irrigation, grade around the pond and get load after load of sand spread on the two-acre section for a growing medium for cranberries.

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Grange gathering Sunday for injured Newry teen

By ALISON ALOISIO

Tyler James, who suffered a traumatic head injury in a car crash Sept. 29, was released last Friday from Central Maine Medical Center in Lewiston.

This Sunday, a gathering to offer him support and encouragement will take place at the Bear River Grange Hall in Newry from 2 to 4 p.m.

Tyler, 17, was in ICU for two days after the accident, followed by 11 days in the inpatient rehab center, according to his mom,

Heidi.

"He suffered a traumatic brain injury to the left side of his brain, which is speech and right-side coordination," she said Sunday. "He mixes up a few words, and isn't too comfortable with math, but other than that he's 100 percent Ty. He said, 'I'm glad if I had to lose some memory, it was with math and not cars.'"

"You can talk to him for 10 minutes before you realize he had any type of injury. He kicked the soccer ball around in rehab last week, and is getting stron-

ger each day on his feet."

The rehab staff, she said, "loved seeing the amazing progress a healthy and determined young man can make in just over a week."

While Tyler was at CMMC, she said, the family brought his dog, Nike, in to visit several times. Now that he is home, Tyler is enjoying Nike's company, as well as that of his friends.

Two other teens, Noah Morton, 18, of Newry and Cameron Bouchard, 17, of Upton, were also in the accident but were not injured.

"We would like to thank the first responders who got to Ty so fast and took such good care of him at the scene and in the ambulance," said Heidi. "We also believe that his two friends, Noah and Bouchard, who bravely did everything they could that night, helped save his life, and for this there are not enough words for our level of love and gratitude."

Sunday's gathering, "Afternoon Tea with Ty," will include refreshments. For more information call the Newry Town Office at 824-3123.

30-hour famine project helps feed thousands

By CHERRI CROCKETT

Special to the Bethel Citizen

The Bethel Alliance Church Youth Group will learn life-long lessons over the next month as they fundraise to help the starving people of the Democratic Republic of Congo.

World Vision's 30-Hour Famine project helps young adults "learn the

truth about hunger, poverty, and injustice, then overcome it all with love," according to the organization's website.

"This is an exciting venture for our kids," said Nick Lutz, youth pastor at BAC. "We're going to be spending those 30 hours sharing thoughts and ideas, crafting, growing our relationships with one another and finding a deeper spiritual relationship as well."

According to World Vi-

sion, each and every day hunger-related issues and malnourishment kill nearly 11,000 children under the age of 5.

That means that there is one child dying every eight to 12 seconds. Some actually starve to death, while others die because their immune system is too weak to fight off other deadly diseases, some of which are preventable.

The youth ministry at Bethel Alliance Church wants people to know there

is something they can do.

The teens in the youth group are not only raising funds to help support World Vision's 30-Hour Famine, but will go without food on Nov. 9 and 10 so that others will be able to eat. Students are asked to begin their fast after they eat lunch on Friday.

After school they will arrive at church for the famine events to begin.

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TRIAGING "VICTIMS" - More than 70 area emergency personnel turned out for Saturday's simulation of a school bus accident on Lakeside Drive in Woodstock. They practiced a coordinated response to a potential mass-casualty event. A combination of real and inflatable "victims" (shown here) were used in the exercise. Personnel in the photo were practicing triaging victims. For a bus photo, see Page 6.

(Photo: A. Aloisio)

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Letters

SIGN ORDINANCE IS NEEDED

To the Editor:

It was dismaying to read the Whitney letter in the 10/4/12 Bethel Citizen, motivated because he detected the "vile stench of socialism/communism" presumably emanating from the good folks participating in the Sign Ordinance effort.

Non-credibly, the letter then disparages the result of our good efforts even before a result exists. It then suggests that Bethel citizens abandon our Sign Ordinance altogether in the name of "individual freedom," leaving us with no protection whatever from just the kind of mind-numbing mess we see in degraded, stagnant towns elsewhere. We soundly rejected that as our vision for the future.

The letter denigrates our community determination to join the 21st century. We're determined to do what many successful towns have done, something constructive and enduring to improve methods of identifying ourselves and our businesses to interested visitors.

Contrary to the assertion, ours is a community of highly individual citizens seizing an opportunity to move forward by uniting in good cause – just as we have since the American Revolution. To reflect on that is cause for celebration. To equate it with "socialism/communism" is an insult to what it means to be an American.

Seabury Lyon
Bethel

ST. JOHN FOR REPRESENTATIVE

To the Editor:

Mary Lou St. John is running to represent the people of Greenwood, Waterford, West Paris, and Norway in the next House of Representatives in Augusta. Anyone who knows Mary Lou understands how committed she is to helping others. She has lived in this area all her life. She has met hundreds of voters in the last few months, and she has been warmly received by nearly everyone she meets. She tells them who she is, explains her main reasons for running for office, and asks them to contact her if they have questions or they think she may be of some help in dealing with a problem. She has already made connections for people in an effort to do this.

I am convinced Mary Lou will be a strong voice for working people, public education, the elderly, and all of us who want someone in Augusta who understands what life is like here in this part of Maine. I hope the voters of District 95 will elect Mary Lou St. John as their representative to the state legislature. I am convinced we will not be disappointed with her as our voice in Augusta.

Rodney Abbott
West Paris

ST. JOHN FOR REPRESENTATIVE

To the Editor:

Residents of Greenwood, West Paris, Waterford and Norway have the opportunity to elect an exceptional individual as their State Representative this year in District 95 – Mary Lou St. John of Norway.

Mary Lou knows what it is like to struggle in tough economic times, to return to school as an adult, and to spend many years assisting people in our region through her work at Community Concepts. She will do a great job for the district and as a Democrat will help restore balance to things in Augusta.

We do not need more of the right-wing LePage policies that have raised insurance rates for older adults in rural areas, ignored job creation, and provided unpaid tax cuts to the wealthy. All priorities supported by the Republican party. Please join me in voting for Mary Lou on Nov. 6.

Cathy Newell
Greenwood

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Citizen welcomes letters to the editor. We hope our readers will regard the newspaper as a public forum for discussing any topic they believe to be of interest to the community.

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BRODERICK FOR REPRESENTATIVE

To the Editor:

I would like to publicly support the candidacy of Michael Broderick for the Maine House of Representatives for District 91.

I have known Mike for over twenty years. I have always admired his integrity, his values, his political knowledge and his strong sense of community service. He has been the rock of our church, serving as Eucharistic minister and lector, overseeing some of the maintenance issues and representing us frequently to the larger parish cluster. Mike has served his town of Bethel well by serving as chairman of the Bethel Water District and by volunteering at several local Chamber of Commerce events. He has extended his community service to a regional level by chairing the Route 26 Scenic Byway Committee and the Region 7 Transportation Committee. And all of this was accomplished long before a political career entered his mind. Mike gave his time simply because he cared deeply about his community.

And now Mike would like to extend his community service to represent the entire District 91. His entry into the political arena was sparked by a sense that the legislature was responding to a personal agenda of Gov. LePage rather than to a sense of commitment to their constituents. I am extremely confident that, if elected, Mike will represent all of the citizens in District 91 as well as any representative can because Mike genuinely cares about his community.

I am asking for your vote on Nov. 6 to make District 91 "his community."

Loraine Duclos
Treasurer, Mike Broderick Maine House Campaign

JOIN IN ON RIVER CLEANUP

To the Editor:

Twelve students and two teachers will be involved in a community service project cleaning up the trash on the Androscoggin River from Gilead to West Bethel. This event will take place on Friday, Oct. 19 pending weather.

Students will be arriving at the Gilead boat launch approximately 8:15 a.m., where there will be a short stewardship presentation. The group will travel both banks of the river throughout most of the morning, with lunch on one of the islands. We plan to be at the West Bethel boat launch at approximately 1:30 p.m. We would like to invite any of the community members who have the time to join us for the day. Bring your own boat and meet us at 8:15 a.m. at the Gilead boat launch. If you need a canoe, please call Steve Keane at 824-2608.

Come and join in on the fun with your local students.

Steve Keane
Project coordinator

HAUNTED HOUSE IN ANDOVER

To the Editor:

The youth of Andover (with adult guidance) will host on Oct. 19 and 20 from 6 to 9 p.m. a Haunted House at the Andover Town Hall. The upstairs of the hall will be dedicated to the younger goblins and ghosts with a pirate cove, witches forest, fortune telling gypsy, princess throne and games. The Spider Room in the upstairs kitchen will offer refreshments for all. From there, those who really want to be scared senseless, will be a guided in small groups down through the downstairs hall. Can't tell what's there 'cause they will haunt me! Admission donations are \$5 per person.

This event is for the support of a youth group activities for the following winter months. Come and let us entertain your little folk or scare you older and hardier victims witless!

Sharon Hutchins
Andover

TASTE OF BETHEL/BUSINESS EXPO

To the Editor:

Oct. 27 will be a busy day in Bethel with the 6th Annual Oxford County Community & Business EXPO, the Taste of Bethel & Beyond, and the Job Seeker and Entrepreneurship Workshops – all being held at the Telstar High School facility – as well as the Bethel Outing Club Ski Sale at Gould Academy (the Ski Sale opens on Friday night as well). It is our hope that everyone in our communities will turn out for these events that are planned to benefit the businesses and some very important non-profits in our communities.

Something brand new to these events is the workshops being offered to Job Seekers and to aspiring entrepreneurs (as well as small business people who may have questions). The Bethel Area Chamber is working in partnership with the Maine Career Centers who will provide workshops at 10 a.m. and another at 11 a.m. in Room 213 entitled "Cutting edge tips on resumes and interviewing techniques to get that job." The Maine Small Business Development Center is offering four workshops for small businesses and aspiring entrepreneurs in Room 218. At 10 a.m., the workshop is "Starting a Business in Maine," at 11 a.m.: "Developing Your Business Plan," at noon: "Understanding and Predicting Cash Flow," and at 1 p.m.: "Financing Your Business." All are welcomed to these free workshops and no preregistration is required.

The EXPO opens to the public at 10 a.m. and runs to 2 p.m. Raffles drawn every hour are an added bonus to coming to visit the businesses and organizations that will be there to greet you. From noon to 2 p.m., all may enjoy the Taste of Bethel & Beyond.

Hope to see you at Telstar High School on Saturday, Oct. 27.

Sarah Glasfeld, Dave Nivus, Maggie Kroenke
EXPO Task Force members

Celladore

'Does it pay to fix over an old house?'

Next day no work for me. B.B. measured, did magic things with levels and put in all the new sleepers. Next day he began to dig a big pit by the north wall. I wondered what this was for but said nothing, knew carrying out pails full of sand was heavy work. Then he came in with boards and nails and began to build a frame about six feet square.

"And what is this for?"

"A frame to pour cement into. I'm going to put in a big slab under the black stove. It will be stronger and if we ever want to have a Franklin stove there it will be safer." A fine idea. By now the initial elation of tearing up and starting a project was replaced with the sober reflection that there was no going back, much work still to be done. B.B. was off, then back with bags of cement, subflooring, insulation material and a new casement window.

"Where did you get such a doll of a window? It looks just like the ones upstairs but smaller," I asked. "I had it made to order. While we're torn up anyway, I'm going to take out the old north window. Lots of cold came in around it; it always is a dirty mess. This one will go over the sink."

We hauled rocks all day to fill in the new pit. They got heavier and heavier and it was unbelievable how many were needed, but we filled the hole. We had no hot water now as it was heated from a coil in the black stove. By night we had had enough of pioneering; we were dirty and weary. We went to Miss Fan's for long, hot baths, a huge supper, then home to a restful sleep and awoke with renewed vigor.

I found out why extra supports had been laid. We were to have a new subfloor. B.B. nailed rolls of insulation in aluminum foil to all the four by sixes. I stuffed luscious watermelon pink rock wool between the sills and walls. It prickled and stuck all over me. B.B. put the subfloor down. I scrubbed the tin ceiling and walls. Just as we were congratulating ourselves on our speed, started the interruptions. Foresters came to see what we had been doing on the woodlot. Rhonda phoned from Cape Cod; her youngest son wanted to drive up and see Bowdoin College, could he stay a night with us? Of course. We remembered him as a little boy with a dog, wondered what he would be like now. He came, a fine boy, looked over our construction with interest, praised the simple dinner, phoned his mother he was here, sat by the fire discussing "Dr. Zhivago," which he was reading, and was off early the next day.

I helped B.B. with the cement. We mixed it in a big tin container in the yard, tugged in pails of it and poured over the rocks. It sunk away out of sight like pebbles in the ocean. We hauled in a lot more smaller rocks, mixed more cement. Over and over, we mixed and poured until finally I thought it was full, but B.B. went back for more, leaving me to smooth the top. As I smoothed, it sank, more poured in, finally it was done and I ran to get a piece of watermelon tourmaline from the Paris Hill mine and implanted it to make a truly Oxford County hearthstone. This was our most backbreaking workday.

Next day was cold and wet. B.B. had to work in town. I treated my aching muscles to heat from the fireplace, read four days of newspapers. Cold again next day but the sun was out. I started to paint the ceiling; hard work to push the paint into the pebbly surface. Paint ran down my arms and neck. I was not unhappy to climb down the stepladder to answer a knock at the door. It was Mush with a load of gravel; where to dump it. I remembered that during mud season B.B. had ordered it, but we certainly did not need it now. At the end of the driveway, I told him and went back to the ceiling. B.B. came home late, cold and weary, swore at the gravel but spread a few shovelfuls of it before dinner.

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Our Back Pages

Danna Brown Nickerson

10 years ago: Warren and Wendy Straatman of Oklahoma were the winners of the national wife-carrying contest at Sunday River Ski Resort.

About two dozen people attended a ceremony formally dedicating Hanover's Town Office.

Births: Asa Joseph Milot, Alyssa Kimberly Rice, Brooklyn Grace Kimball, Iziah Kane Smith Wilson.

Deaths: Marie Nuppula, Marietta S. Penley, Schuyler L. Mott.

20 years ago: More than 60 parents and teachers attended the parent night at Telstar High School, hosted by the Guidance Department.

The Telstar Middle School soccer and field hockey teams both finished second in the Western Maine Sandy/Andy League.

Births: Simon Foster Smith, Pauline Ashley-Rose Thurston.

Death: Kenneth D. Benne.

30 years ago: Gould Academy's Board of Trustees announced it had accepted the resignation of Headmaster Donald W. Fudge, effective June 30, 1983.

The Apple Hill Chamber Players presented a concert of classical music in Bingham Auditorium.

Death: George Mealand.

40 years ago: Mr. and Mrs. Howard Judkins of Bryant Pond celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary.

A Maine Forest Service plane conducted training exercises on Songo Pond.

Death: Charles N. DeMerritt.

50 years ago: Ground was broken for construction of the Mayville home of Leonard Pierce, president of the Brown Company. (Now Rooster's Roadhouse)

Lord's Orchestra ended 43 years of service at the Top Hat Pavilion where there was a large attendance for their final appearance.

Births: Gregory Cushman, Perdita Lea Davis.

Deaths: G. Elwyn Brooks, Mrs. Nellie Wells.

60 years ago: Dr. John W. Trinward purchased the dental practice of Dr. E. Linwood Brown.

S. Eldon Greenleaf completed the advanced course at the New England Institute of Anatomy, Sanitary Science & Embalming in Boston, and was working his apprenticeship with his father at the Greenleaf Funeral Home.

70 years ago: Howard Records was burned about the head and hands when he escaped from his burning camp on Rowe Hill.

The Oxford County WPA salvage truck was picking up scrap in Bethel and surrounding towns.

An advanced first aid class was organized in Bethel with Addison Saunders director.

80 years ago: Bethel Fair drew a record crowd.

A stretch of state road was completed at Greenwood Center.

Deaths: Mrs. Helene Emery Chandler, Charles P. Cleaves, Mrs. Josephine Littlehale.

90 years ago: The farm buildings of Harry A. Lyon, Grover Hill, were burned.

The Black and White Syncopators, a popular dance orchestra, disbanded.

Death: Francis Gilman Blake.

100 years ago: Plans were maturing for an electric railroad to be known as the Fryeburg, Stow and Lovell Street Railroad. Bethel was to be on the route which was to cover more than 50 miles.

Death: Addison S. Bean.

110 years ago: The farm buildings of Horatio Chase in Upton were struck by lightning and burned. Mr. Chase was badly injured by dynamite which exploded in the barn.

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Cranberries

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Before planting could begin, they installed a sprinkler and irrigation system. Cranberries need a dependable supply of moisture, about 1½ inches per week, but too much moisture fosters disease. Berries don't grow well directly in water, they said, and plants can't get pollinated if they are under water in spring.

They planted a cold-tolerant variety that takes from two to five years to harvest. It normally takes about two tons of vines to seed an acre at a cost of about \$15,000 per ton to get started.

Vines to be planted come in bales and need to be kept moist and planted promptly after they arrive.

The Woodward's process was to spread the vines by hand and then run a planter rigged with dull tines over them to poke them into the ground.

"Then they take off-superposedly," Linda said with a smile that indicated that it's not quite that simple and predictable.

Frost can be a problem. Spring buds that get frosted don't produce berries and a fall frost, before berries have begun to color, can damage them. Linda said that once berries are red, they have lost some moisture and become more cold tolerant. Still, they hope for many frost-free days this month.

Harvest begins when most cranberries take on

the characteristic scarlet hue. The Woodwards use two ancient mechanical harvesters. Rotating "fingers" comb the vines and pluck the berries while "squeegies" act like a conveyor and move cranberries into a box.

"So many things can go wrong with all those gears and belts and chains," Rick said. The machines require constant maintenance and repair. Cranberries bruise easily and he estimates that they may lose 5 percent of the crop by using mechanical harvesters.

Linda said that cranberries need to be picked under dry conditions and that usually means they can't begin harvest-

ing until after noon when the heavy dew of fall has burned off. Then it begins to roll in again around 4 p.m., leaving only a short window of harvest time. But there's plenty to do after harvesting the cranberries.

Sand, leaves and twigs end up in the box with the berries. Rick has designed a winnowing machine that takes out sand and debris, leaving the cranberries relatively clean.

The next step is to put the berries through a separator, which divides the bad berries from the good but still leaves an occasional stone or unripe berry.

Some markets, they said, will take berries as they come out of the separator

but other markets require further sorting.

That's when Rick and Linda do the final hand-sorting. With a wood stove heating their cozy living space, they work together on either side of a long, sorting table to remove further debris or undesirable berries.

They built the barn where they do the separating, machine maintenance and marketing from a kit and their living space is a part of the barn.

Last year, for the first time, they made a profit from their record harvest of 7,000 pounds. "Last year everything was perfect. The weather was good for growing, dry for picking and the frost was late,"

Linda said. This year the crop is good but they don't expect as large a harvest as last year.

Woodward Cranberry Farm offers PYO cranberries a few weekends in October, and either Rick or Linda picks beside PYO customers to help educate them about cranberries.

They sell packaged or bulk berries to local customers as well as organic suppliers. Linda offers recipes and samples of cranberry squares to visitors.

To reach them on weekends call (781) 344-4818 or (781) 771-6192. Online contact/information is available at mcranfarm@verizon.net and www.woodwardcranberryfarm.net.

Upton

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because everyone else was down."

He said he had talked with realtors who told him the town "is coming into its own, because it's becoming a four-season resort area, with snowmobiling, hunting, ATVing and fishing."

The town, said Rainey, "is having growing pains." Merchant, feeling that pain, said his uninsulated building on less than a half-acre of land should be valued at about \$32,000.

Now-former Selectman Bob Brown described to the board some of the factors contributing to each property value in Upton.

He said the standard per-acre land value on a tar road was set at \$24,500. And, he said, any water supply coming into a house added another \$5,000 of valuation, while a septic system added the same amount.

Merchant's lot was assessed as a half-acre. The total land value for Merchant was \$34,000, Brown said, and the 1,564-square-foot building was worth \$31,586.

The overall value was dropped some in subsequent discussions, Merchant said.

But Merchant objected particularly to the \$5,000 value assigned to the water source. He said his practice has been to either insert a pipe into the brook, or simply carry the water inside. The brook water is not potable, he said.

Two OXBAR board members were sympathetic to that argument, and one asked if the amount might be cut in half as a compromise.

Brown said he did not know of anyone else in town with a water supply like Merchant's. But he worried that lowering its value might set a precedent that could lead to other property owners arguing the particular value of individual water sources - drilled wells, dug wells, springs, etc.

"I'm afraid it's going to open a can of worms," said Brown.

He and Rainey said everyone in town had been treated equally under the Trio "mass appraisal" system.

Merchant said in his case it was like trying to fit a square peg into a round hole.

He also cited research

done by two realtors he hired, who found a Grange Hall in St. Johnsbury, Vt., which sold recently for \$38,000, and another in Essex, Vt., which is on the market for \$29,000.

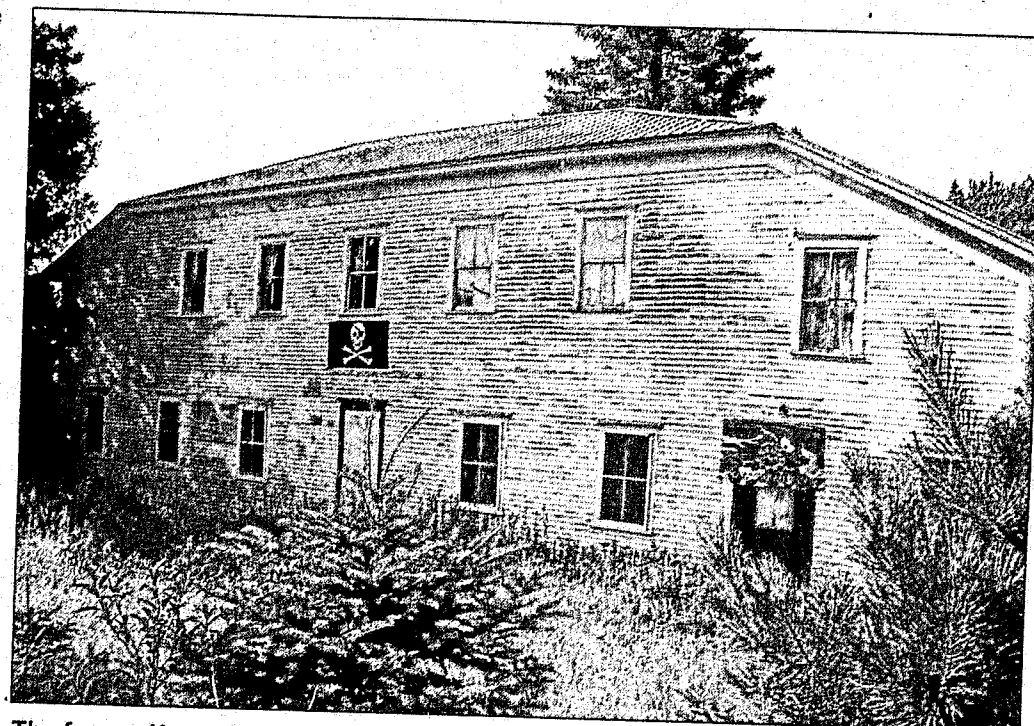
He added that he believed his lot size to be less than a half acre. Two board members suggested he research his deed and if the lot size was smaller, ask for an adjustment.

The board ultimately denied the appeal, siding with the town's argument that Merchant had been treated the same as everyone else in Upton under the system.

Upton selectmen have until early November to reply to his appeal, Merchant said last week.

He said he has since checked his deed for the lot size. It provides dimensions, he said, and based on those dimensions, he estimated the size at less than a quarter acre.

Merchant said he is pursuing the appeal largely as a matter of principle.



The former Upton Grange Hall, now owned by Dean Merchant.

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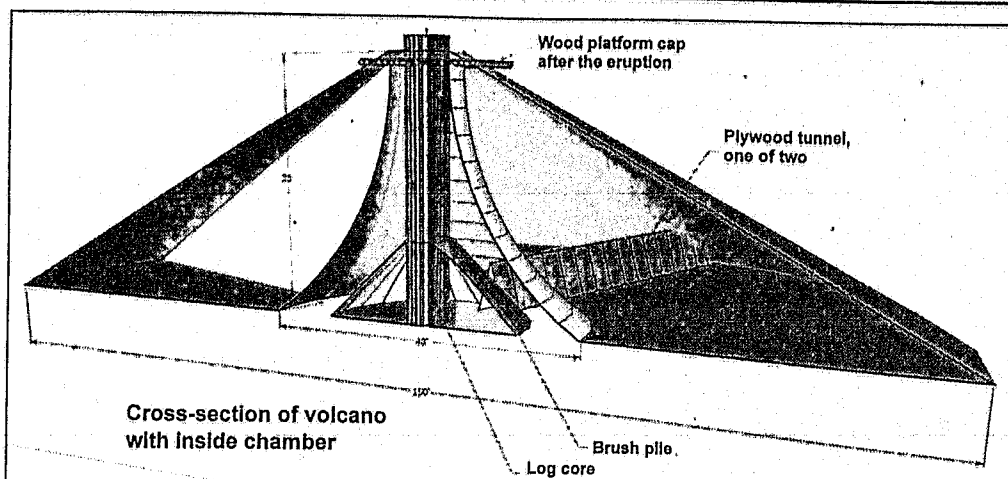
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Snow volcano drawing by Jim Sysko.

was very popular last year, and they would like to offer it again.

"Grownups and little kids loved the thing," said Sysko. They were up there all the time."

This season's "eruption" is scheduled for Jan. 26. Plans also call for using the hill for the annual Snowboard and Ski Rail Jam competition.

To construct the hill, the town would again haul snow removed from village streets to the "Festival Plaza" lot near the Parkway, where it would provide most of the material for the volcano. Zinchuk said the plan could also save the town time and fuel for snow disposal, because of the central location.

Sunday River Ski Resort would provide snowmaking to top off the volcano, and would sculpt it with its grooming equipment.

Cave, zip line

Sysko described additional plans to complement the volcano.

The snow hill would have two tunnels at its base to provide air for fueling the fire. He is also proposing to add a brush pile under the snow pile for added fuel.

And, he said, "What that will do, after we set it off, is create a room inside." The room would be about 50 feet in diameter.

"We'd have two air intakes that would be big enough for people to walk in... We could put lights in there, we could put picnic

tables in there, we could put a barbecue in there. We could have people eating in there, lounging out of the wind. The parents could be in there while the kids are sledding on the surface."

As for the safety of such an arrangement, he said he has learned from experience that the heating and cooling of the snow pile turns it into "a monolithic block of ice. There's no way it can collapse."

But the room would have to be approved by the town's insurance company, he said.

After the eruption, said Sysko, a wooden platform built on top of the volcano could serve as the launching point for a 400-foot double zip line, which would run to the nearby street corner. The zip line would be a one- or two-day activity only.

Last summer Sysko engineered a similar zip line in Rumford.

Doar said insurance for the line in Bethel could be a bit more of a question. But, he said, taxpayers will not have to pay for any expenses related to insurance for the project.

Selectmen unanimously approved the town's role in the project, which will be overseen by a committee working with Doar.

Selectman Pat Carter praised last year's project. "It was a joy to watch the kids sliding," she said.

Selectman Don Bennett said that he has been asked by people from time

to time, "What are they going to do next?" I say, "you never know what Jim is going to come up with."

In other business Monday, the board learned that the Bethel Rotary Club will no longer light the large spruce tree on the Common for the Christmas season.

The club donated \$800 left over from its fund to the town, which Doar suggested could be used to purchase a smaller, one-season tree to light. Selectmen approved the recommendation.

Black Diamond sign violation

The board also voted unanimously to pursue enforcement action against the Black Diamond Steakhouse on the Sunday River Road for a violation of the town's sign ordinance.

Doar said the restaurant had received approval for an on-premise sign, but since then a new section, with changeable letters, has been added underneath the sign. That section has not been approved by the Planning Board, he said.

Doar said a letter was sent to owner Ron Savage Sept. 14, asking him to come to the next Planning Board meeting (Oct. 10) to get approval for the addition, but he did not attend. He also missed the deadline to get on the agenda for the Oct. 24 meeting, Doar said.

Bennett asked if there were currently other

cases of sign violations in which sections had been added to signs. Doar said he was not aware of any.

Following the vote, the next step will be a notice of violation stating that the sign section must be removed in 30 days, said Doar. Enforcement action can progress to a violation letter from the town attorney and then to court action, he said.

"Our goal is to get people in compliance - we're not interested in writing violations," said Doar. "Hopefully he will come to the Planning Board. He missed the deadline for next week, but the board is not really rigid on that."

Earlier this year, prompted by what they said was their inability to adequately advertise their restaurant, Savage and his brother Rick circulated a petition calling for a vote to repeal the current sign ordinance at the annual town meeting in June.

But selectmen changed the warrant article to instead propose the establishment of an ordinance reform committee, and voters approved it. Savage was named to the committee.

At Monday's meeting Bennett said Savage had mentioned at a recent sign committee meeting that he needed to go to the Planning Board regarding the addition to his sign.

Doar added later that other members of the sign committee had expressed concern that all members be in compliance with the current ordinance.

Selectman Peter Southam asked Doar if two Black Diamond signs located on Route 2 were allowed to be there.

Doar said the signs were "fine." He said the Maine Department of Transportation had earlier told Savage the word "steakhouse" could not be on the signs, Doar said. Savage removed it, leaving

two other words that had been put on the signs: "Farm Stand." Doar said the signs are now allowable seasonal agricultural signs. Under a similar town regulation on such signs, he said, "they're entitled to advertise until Nov. 1."

Southam also asked about a Hummer parked beside the Parkway with Black Diamond decals on it.

Doar said it is legal for a registered vehicle to display such signs. He said the Hummer did not have license plates displayed.

Response to sign vote

Savage, contacted Tuesday, said that after he received the Sept. 14 letter regarding his on-premise sign, he talked to the town's code enforcement officer about what he needed to do. Savage pointed out two similar signs on nearby businesses, he said, and asked for copies of their applications to use as a guide.

But, said Savage, the CEO did not get back to him. Savage then left for an eight-day trip to England, from which he only recently returned. He said he would submit the application to the Planning Board when he gets the paperwork completed.

"They're just targeting us. It's no big deal, but that's what they are and we don't care," said Savage. "It is what it is. They've always done it, and they're always going to do it, and that's just the way it is. If they weren't so anti-business, they'd maybe try to work with people."

"They're making a mountain out of a molehill. Jim Doar's got an agenda, and he's just trying to run through with it, and he can do what he wants to do."

In other action Monday selectmen appointed Ian Blair to a vacant seat on the Planning Board. The seat expires Dec. 31.

Famine

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"We have movies to watch, discussions about humanitarianism, we'll be playing games, we'll be performing some community service projects for the church and they will have some free time to get to know one another better," said Lutzo. "It's going to be a fantastic time."

Following the Friday and Saturday famine event, the youth group will present to the congregation on Sunday morning during Hope Sunday.

"I am excited to see what the teens take from this exercise," Lutzo said. "I'm excited to see what they can enlighten our congregation with on Hope Sunday. I think it's fantastic to be able to provide them with a safe and fun environment in order to have the opportunity to fellowship, build relationships with one another and God, and to learn that even when you're on the other side of the world, you can make a difference."

For about \$1 a day, sponsors will help provide access to life-saving basics including nutritious food; help for families to grow healthy crops, raise livestock, and store food to ensure that their children are nourished year round; access to clean water, sanitation, and hygiene (which can cut a community's child death rate by more than half); health care, immunizations, checkups, and other basic care that can protect children from deadly diseases; education; and economic opportunity, such as small loans and business and financial training.

Over the years that BAC has participated in the 30 Hour Famine the church has raised more than \$8,000.

Anyone wishing to donate may send a check payable to Bethel Alliance Church (with "World Vision 30 Hour Famine" in the memo line), to P.O. Box 806, Bethel, ME 04217.



The Way I See It

by Sharon Bouchard

This is a really spooky time of the year as far as I'm concerned. The days are winding down with less daylight and early dark, the temperatures are getting cooler, but there is still warmth to the sun, like it's trying to trick you. Leaves change color and fall and plants either die or go into dormancy like Dracula.

The ghosts and goblins are starting to surface in preparation of Halloween and, horror of horrors, the politicians come alive.

Not a day goes by that I don't receive pre-recorded telephone calls from various candidate's poll takers wanting to know how I plan to vote or survey takers wanting to know my stance on various issues. Like invading aliens they are taking over the lines of communication.

The pre-recorded political calls are easy to hang up on and it makes me wonder why they waste so much money creating this call system, when most people will do exactly what I do...hang up.

Some days I get the same pre-recorded message over and over no matter how many times I hang up. That seems like something right out of a Stephen King novel and they frighten me a bit.

And the poll takers, what a bunch of ghouls! They come on like they're your best friend. Even though they are not sharing which candidate they

favor you can hear it in their voice if you happen to favor the opponent. One woman poll taker who I spoke with sounded like we were soul sisters until I told her who I would vote for and then she turned into a witch.

To me, the survey takers are the scariest ones, that is, next to the politicians themselves. These people are like preprogrammed robots. They sound like humans, but they are incapable of humor of any kind.

Political Spooky Stuff

I understand they have a basic format to follow and they are probably at a computer punching in the answers, but do they have to act like the computer?

I always take the survey calls because I want to share my opinions, but if I don't stick to the script the surveyist just goes on without missing a beat. Amazing creatures!

One I recently received was not endorsing any candidate, but was an issue based survey. It covered all the important stuff such as the economy, employment, energy sources and things of that nature. When given a statement the survey takers would

then ask if I a. Strongly agreed, b. Agreed, c. Mildly agreed, d. Strongly disagreed, e. Disagreed, f. Mildly disagreed or g. Have no opinion.

It really didn't take me very long to catch onto the fact that each statement was followed by the exact same options; after all I'm not a zombie. After a couple of these statements and choices of answers I started giving my answer as soon as I heard the statement.

Apparently the survey taker once in robotic mode still had to run through all the agree and disagree options. One particular statement pushed my hot button and I went into great detail as to why I felt such a statement was so far off the mark that it belonged on another planet.

The surveyist responded with "Do you a. Strongly agree, b. Agree, c. Mildly agree, d. Strongly disagree, e. Disagree, f. Mildly disagree or g. Have no opinion. Now, that's pretty darn frightening if you ask me."

Pretty soon my telephone will go silent, the politicians will either be elected or not, the trick or treat candy will be pushed to the back of the cupboard and the jack-o-lanterns will go dark.

Another election year and Halloween will be over and the way I see it the very fact that those two events come so close together is pretty darn spooky.

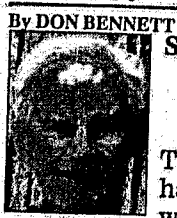
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Selectmen's Monday Meeting
Bethel's Town Hall has a new wood pellet boiler heating system from Maine Energy Systems. It is expected to save 40 percent in annual heating costs. MDOT's interim reply to the town manager about results of a Mayville speed limit study gave a list of reasons while it will be some time yet before completion. Ian Blair who according to the Bethel taxpayer list lives at 239 Paradise Road applied for the vacant seat on the Bethel Planning Board.

Comprehensive Plan: Selectmen accepted the Town Manager's proposal to begin updating the town's Comprehensive Plan. Manager Doar recommended a two-year period for the work to be completed, noting that there have been changes in State government that will affect its final approval. The town committee will, if approved by the next annual town meeting,

consist of nine members, two selectmen/town manager, two planning board members, two business people, two residents and one school board member, plus a hired consultant.

The most recent Comprehensive Plan is dated 1998, but it has an excellent framework for analysis and evaluation of the town's overall condition. Two recent developments - acquisition of the Bingham - Barker Mountain land, and results of the currently meeting sign ordinance reform committee's recommendations about town involvement in Wayfinding will probably be included in the plan update.

Winterfest 2013: Robin Zinchuk, Amanda Moran and Jim (Mr. Zipline) Sysko attended the meeting to discuss feasibility of Town of Bethel sponsorship of this winter's event. Reason is cost of insurance to cover primarily sledging liability at the "snow mountain/volcano" proposed again for this year's Fest. Mr. Sysko outlined his ideas on how to enlarge a snow volcano with top to bottom sledging,

a room in the mountain and of course a Zipline. The Board authorized the Town Manager to work out details with the Chamber for review by the Selectmen. Robin Zinchuk stressed that the event is for children - to get them outdoors with something that is really fun and challenging.

Town Clerk Christen Mason reported that 100 absentee ballots had been signed out to date.

Mahoosuc Land Trust - Black Mountain Trail

Currently Mahoosuc Land Trust is engaged in new trail making from its trail head off the East Andover Road at the base of Rumford Whitecap to Black Mountain's peak where the Black Mountain Ski Area's upper lift tower is located. Straight line distance for the new trail is roughly 2.7 miles. The new trail will lead from the MLT's existing Rumford Whitecap Mountain Trail.

The trail to Rumford Whitecap was completed primarily following an age old trail used by the public to reach blueberry grounds growing around the open flat ledges at the mountain top. Mike Cooper, working as Caribou Recreation Development LLC, put the existing Whitecap trail into good condition for 'continued public use, bypassing a badly eroded section with switchbacks. The actual bald mountain top property is jointly owned by the Kersey family and MLT.

Cooper has already flagged the Black Mountain trail - which departs from a relatively low elevation point on the Whitecap Trail and heads east to Black Mountain. Following his trail marking, the Peak A Week Club in Rumford helped initial trail clearing. Since then further trail improvement work has been done by volunteers from the Maine Chapter of the Appalachian Club, the Outward Bound School in Newry and AmeriCorps volunteers from the Maine Conservation Corps.

Trail head for both trails is located on the East Andover Road only a few hundred yards from its junction with the Rumford Center to Andover road. From Bethel village it is about a 15-mile drive. There is parking for about 10 cars and an information kiosk. To get on the trail, one only has to cross the road.

Just the past month the trail has seen hikers from

a variety of places including the Andover General Store, Andover Elementary School, Bangor, Lisbon, Auburn, The Prime Time Club (from all over), Wrentham, Mass., Rumford, Wilton, Scarborough plus cars at the trail head on Saturday were from Maine and Massachusetts.

Some background as to how these trail projects came to the fore - a quick look at the ownership of long-time paper company land ownership tells the story.

During the Mead/Westvaco era of Rumford's paper operations and before, the mountain property belonged to the paper company. This company sold all of its timberland in Maine and New Hampshire to Bayroot LLC, a Timber Investment Management Organization. However, Bayroot started selling some of its land to developers and timber liquidators. During Paper Company ownership the public was given free access to the mountain. But with possibility of this mountain land being developed for house lots, a threat to continued public access was seen.

Leon Akers of Andover and Robert Iles of Bethel brought this possible public access threat to the attention of the Mahoosuc Land Trust. Marcel Polak worked with the Land Trust to write a grant application to the Land for Maine's Future (LMF) for public funding to acquire the section of Whitecap land needed to secure public access to the mountain top. A successful 'capital campaign' by Mahoosuc Land Trust plus the LMF grant allowed the Land Trust to purchase the trail zone property in 2007. MLT's Website says that 500 donors contributed to the capital fundraising effort.

The Man from Maine - to the Rescue

Reading tends to reveal heroes. John Stevens who grew up in West Gardiner and completed the two year Maine State Normal School at Farmington in 1873 is the man generally credited with rescuing Panama Canal construction from drowning. His parents farmed and operated a tannery, similar to Fred Atherton in Sunday River. But after Stevens completed school in Farmington, as usual in Maine, the job picture was bleak and Stevens went west. One initial western experience was in the Minneapolis city engineer's office.

In 1895, James J. Hill, railroad titan, creator of the Great Northern rail system, promoted John Stevens to become his chief engineer. Stevens had started as a surveyor, becoming a self-taught, practical engineer - viewed as expert in all phases of railroad: reconnaissance, locating, organizing and construction.

In 1905, when President Teddy Roosevelt desperately needed someone to take command of building the Panama Canal, in which Roosevelt had a very high personal and political stake, he hired John Stevens as chief engineer on the recommendation of Hill.

During the next year Stevens planned, ordered, supervised an incredible span of work - the Panama Railroad was overhauled and double tracked, a new telegraph system installed, Dr. Gorgas was given four months to rid the canal zone of yellow fever and malaria (previous bosses had denied Gorgas's requests for screening), worker housing, family housing, hospitals, churches, hotels, warehouses, maintenance buildings, replaced the railroad force completely, new water and sewer systems installed, new bakeries, new cold storage plants - fresh eggs, lettuce, meats, ice - size of labor force tripled, over a hundred new locomotives ordered. The list goes on and on. Basically he ordered, managed, oversaw the building of infrastructure needed to complete the canal.

Stevens told the President that a sea level canal would not work, period; despite the fact that the Senate had just voted again for a sea level canal.

Stevens also showed his Maine disposition for independence and grumpiness. He was probably very much overworked, stressed out and in need of a rest - he was 54 years old. In February 1907, the President received a long letter from Stevens - his resignation.

Ten years later Stevens chaired a board of railroad men sent to Russia to reorganize and manage the national railroad system, including work on the Trans Siberian Railway. He lived to be 90; he died in 1943 at Southern Pines, N.C.

Sources include "The Path between the Seas" by David McCullough and John Frank Stevens from Wikipedia.

Bethel

By NANCY BROWN



National Wildlife Refuge Week is Oct. 14-20. Activities are being held at

refuges across the country to celebrate the protection of millions of acres of wildlife habitat. Each state has at least one wildlife refuge. Maine has eleven refuges, including the Umbagog National Wildlife Refuge, which Maine shares with New Hampshire. The Umbagog refuge, which is less than 40 miles from Bethel, is home to more than 200 kinds of birds, including bald eagles and loons, and is one of the best local places to view moose. For more information on the wildlife refuge network and special activities this week, you can visit www.fws.gov/refuges.

The Bethel Library is currently displaying a beautiful quilt by Ginger Kelly. The quilt, with a floral pattern and shades of blue and brown, is titled Belize Breeze I. The quilt is part of the library's ongoing display of quilts by local artists. Visitors can view the quilt in the library's front room.

Seven dogs, accompanied by their owners and family members, attended the Blessing of the Animals at the Bethel United

OCSD Bethel Patrol Log

Tuesday, Oct. 9

At 6:59 p.m. Deputy Sullivan Rizzo and Cpl. George Cayer did a welfare check on the East Bethel Road. The subject was located.

At 10:59 p.m. Cpl. George Cayer responded to the Intervale Road for a report of a subject shooting a gun.

Thursday, Oct. 11

At 11:08 a.m. a caller reported a possible e-mail threat from a former employee. Deputy Dani Welch was assigned.

At 6:12 p.m. a caller on Route 232 reported his home had been broken into and believed people were still in the house when he entered, leaving when he arrived. Deputies George Cayer and Nathan Bowie were assigned.

At 8:48 p.m. Deputy Matt Noyes responded to Route 5/Route 2 for a report of erratic operation of a tractor trailer. The vehicle was not located.

At 10:22 p.m. after a traffic stop, Deputy Matt Noyes located marijuana and paraphernalia inside the vehicle. Alex A. Helms, 25, of Bethel was summonsed for possession of marijuana and paraphernalia.

Friday, Oct. 12

At 8:36 p.m. Cpl. George Cayer stopped a suspicious vehicle pulling from the cemetery of Route 5. The driver, Alexander Ojeda, 32, of Bethel was summonsed for operating after suspension and an inspection violation.

Sunday, Oct. 14

At 4:29 p.m. Cpl. George Cayer checked on a subject passing through Bethel on foot. He was warned for loitering on private property. The subject, from Texas, had no warrants or crimes committed.

Monday, Oct. 15

At 2:28 p.m. Deputy Mike Halacy responded to the intersection of Parkway/Route 26 for a vehicle that had been rear-ended by a farm tractor. The crash was non-reportable because of slight damage.

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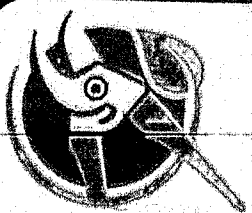
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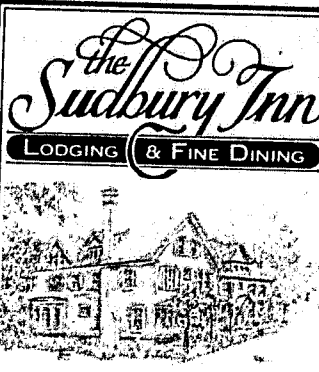
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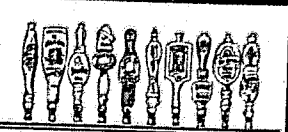
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Orlando and Claudette Fraser returned to their home in Vidalia, Ga., last week after spending time visiting family and friends in the Bethel area.

If you have news you'd like to share, call me at 824-2483 or e-mail nancybrown1150@yahoo.com.

East Bethel

By WALLY RITZ



Boy, it sure turned cold this past week and the smell of wood fires burning is in the air.

From Thursday till Sunday Charmaine and her friend, Carol, were visiting Arlene Harrington. They had a lot of fun girl time together.

Bettyann Hastings told me that Bob is home, doing well and mending. We all hope you feel better soon, Sonny.

Well, the results are in for mayor of East Bethel. One vote each went to John Coolidge, Gloria Crockett, John Wight and Babe Bartlett. Neil Olson won the election again with three votes. Congratulations, Neil, on being our honorary mayor again.

I hope everyone enjoys the mock elections. Please, do let me know and call me at 824-3220 or e-mail han@megalink.net, and don't forget to give me your news, suggestions and information you would like to share.

Here is the new Trivia question: What can you tell me about the history of the lot across the street from my house?

The history of East Bethel is truly amazing.

Wishing everyone a great week.

Mason

By RICHARD GROVER



I had not been in Southeast Asia in the spring of 1967 when I and many

other pilots involved in the bombing of North Vietnam realized that we were spinning our wheels in the war there. It was obvious that our sustained bombing campaign was not having significant enough effect on the NVN. It seemed as though we were just going through the motions, attacking the same series of railroad yards, choke points and railroad marshalling areas week after week, with no observable long-term effect. We repeatedly returned to railroad targets on the north-east railroad, reaching from the Chinese border to Hanoi, railroad marshalling yards on the north side of Hanoi, and extending northward, highway and railroad bridges, convoys and truck parks the length and breadth of NVN.

From my additional duties in the fighter wing operations shop at Takli RTAFB, I read many operational reports and intelligence reports detailing the effectiveness (or lack thereof) of many of our bombing attacks and of the air defenses our fighters encountered daily. Somehow, we never significantly reduced the amount of military troops and equipment flowing overland to South Vietnam; at least, not enough to be apparent to our forces in South Vietnam who were meeting increasingly lethal opposition from NVN and Viet Cong forces. Few days went by when I did not see reports of one or more of our aircrews shot down over the north.

I have to say that it was a great pleasure to be associated with many of our dedicated fighter pilots and combat "back seaters." These guys were boisterous and rowdy when off duty, particularly after highly stressful missions or when one of our own was shot down. But whenever an aircrew was in trouble, whether from our wing or somewhere else, fighter pilots took incredible risks trying to protect the downed members until rescue forces could make a rescue attempt. The only exception to this was when someone went down in the flat delta area of NVN in the Hanoi area; it was accepted that if you couldn't make it either to the waters of the Gulf of Tonkin or to the jungle covered mountains of NVN or Laos, you were on your own. Members of a flight or strike force tried to watch to see if the downed member made it safely out of his aircraft, but the delta area was just too dangerous for rescue crews to make rescue attempts there.



BUS "RESCUE" - Area firefighters cut open the top of a school bus that was used Saturday in a simulated accident in Bryant Pond. Inside were "victims" who were examined, removed and triaged by rescue personnel. "We learned a lot about how a bus is made," said Woodstock Fire Chief Jeff Inman. Agencies participating in the exercise included: fire departments from Woodstock, Greenwood, Bethel, Paris, Newry and Gilead; PACE Ambulance, Tri-Town Rescue and Bethel Rescue; Oxford County Sheriff's Department, Regional Communications Center, Emergency Management Agency, CERT Communications Team (Ham Radio Team), Incident Management Assistance Team; SAD 44; and hospitals participating at their locations: Stephens Memorial, Bridgton, Rumford, Franklin, St. Mary's Regional, Central Maine Medical Center and Memorial Hospital (Conway, N.H.). County dispatchers were set up onsite in a fully-equipped Oxford County Emergency Communications trailer. SAD 44 Supt. Dave Murphy said that before the event, he and other staff members sat in on a pair of planning events at the Woodstock Fire Department. "The level of planning and commitment that went into these sessions was impressive, and the exercise itself was a tribute to the dedicated people we are fortunate to have working on behalf of our area residents," said Murphy. "Walking through the event from the perspective of how the school district would respond was extremely valuable. This has already resulted in some follow up conversations about additional steps we will want to consider in order to be as prepared as possible to deal with incidents such as this."

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Through it all, our fighter aircrews maintained surprisingly high morale, somehow accepting their role as the "strategic bombers" in that strange war, while our B-52s were used as "close air support" for troops in the south, bombing suspected NVN troop concentrations in SVN and Laos and also highway choke points and NVN truck parks in the mountain passes of Laos and SVN. The fighter pilots always cheered when the targets in high threat areas of NVN were cancelled due to bad weather, and they were assigned less defended target areas in Laos, southern NVN, or close air support roles in SVN.

Attitudes changed dramatically whenever one of the high-priority targets in NVN (Those targets that only the President, Secretary of De-

fense or the military Joint Chiefs of Staff could authorize being targeted). Everybody volunteered to join the first attack on the Paul Dommour highway and railroad bridge which passed over the mile wide Red River into the heart of Hanoi, the first time we were allowed to bomb the only Mig-21 airfield in NVN, and the first time we were allowed to hit the Thai Nuyen iron and steel plant, the only one in NVN. The few of this type of target we were allowed to attack gave us hope that perhaps we were really going to cripple NVN.

Unfortunately, these hopes were dashed whenever we passed near the NVN port of Haiphong; there were almost always multiple cargo vessels in that port with either Communist Chinese or Russian markings. These continued to be "off limits" to attack until late in the war when President Nixon and Secretary of State Henry Kissinger authorized the mining of Haiphong Harbor.

Gilead

By LIN CHAPMAN



This past weekend was cold and miserable. The furnace wants to keep

running. It was snowing in Gorham, N.H., on Friday afternoon when we went shopping.

My brother, Steve McLain, attended the mock "bus accident" in Woodstock last Saturday. Since he works for MSAD 44 at the Transportation Building, he thought it would be a good idea to go as an observer. He said it was quite an interesting exercise. The injured were both dummies and real people. The Gilead Fire Department also participated in the training exercise.

Lise McLain attended the Senior Club dinner on Wednesday, Oct. 10 at the West Bethel Grange Hall. Some of the discussion was about selling tickets regarding her son, Joey McLain, who donated an oil painting to the Senior Club as a fundraiser. Lise also received a phone call from Seniors Plus, who conducted all-day workshops at the Sunday River Grand Summit Hotel on Oct. 5, informing her that she won an oil painting of the Nubble lighthouse in York, Maine.

Stephen and Peachy McLain and children, Marina, Nathan, Quinn and Evan, were in Paris last week on a family vacation. They spent time at Disneyland Paris and they also got to see several of the sights in the city. Steve sent pictures of them at the Arc de Triumph, the Eiffel Tower and Notre Dame.

Two of the grandchildren, Sidney and Ajay, spent last Saturday night with us. We picked them up in Gorham, and on the way home we stopped at Pizza Hut for supper. They were perfect house guests and on Sunday morning, convinced Grampa that they needed pancakes, bacon and eggs for breakfast. Grampa was glad to oblige.

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Upton

By JOE BERNIER



The Ladies Aid Association met Friday, Oct. 12, and set up their tentative fall

schedule. Friday, Oct. 19, they will travel to Riverside Restaurant, in Colebrook, for their annual "Upton Ladies Aid Appreciation Lunch." They will meet at Leslie's house at 11:30 and leave from there. The next scheduled event is a Hunters Supper, Saturday, Nov. 10, from 5 p.m. until the food runs out. The following morning, Sunday, Nov. 11, they will offer a hunters' breakfast beginning at 6.

Saturday, Oct. 13, five people traveled from Upton village to Carry Road to replace a section of the roof of the Louise Dickinson Rich "Summer House." The work was completed with very little daylight to spare. After the tools and equipment were loaded into the pickups, a scrumptious dinner, featuring haddock and Alaskan Salmon was served. Thank you to everyone that donated to or participated in the project and meals.

The Internet has opened up the world, even remote Upton. In the previous two weeks, the Upton House has entertained multiple guests from abroad. They included guests from Italy, Switzerland, and Israel. The guests enjoyed the fall colors and several of them sighted moose and one guest took a good picture of a young bull.

The Maine Municipal Association deemed that the Upton Town Meeting that was held Friday, Oct. 5, was not a legal meeting. A new meeting date will be set and posted as soon as the selectmen work out the details.

Laurie Brown told me that only 2.2 miles to go and Route 26, from Newry to Upton, will be all repaved. She also noticed that someone had cut the brush away from the UPTON sign, making it more visible. Whether this was to be able to get a better



BWD RESERVOIR GETS CHECKUP-A diving team from Liquid Engineering of Billings, Mont. was in Bethel recently to inspect the condition of the Bethel Water District's 500,000-gallon reservoir tank on top of Paradise Road. BWD Superintendent Lucien Roberge said the reservoir, built in the early 1900s, was due for a five-year check. "This is the first time since the loss of Chapman Brook watershed," said Roberge. "The flow rates were much higher than it used to have. My concern was that we may have stressed it. We only have one reservoir and it is old. If something happens to it we will not be able to support fire protection which is our primary function." Here, diver Robert Heaton lowers himself into the reservoir with the help of David Reich. The helmet allows full communication, as well as lights and video, for the team. Air is supplied through a hose by a compressor, which extends the time of the dive, Heaton said. Before he went into the reservoir, Reich sprayed him with a bleach solution to prevent contamination of the water. Roberge said the internal inspection went well. "There are some things that were identified and will need to be looked into further," he said.

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photo or because of civic pride, thanks!

Not less than two moose were shot within a half mile of my house.

Penny feels guilty, thinking that they died because she posted pictures of the moose she saw in our field. The reality is that this area is hunted heavily during moose season and the moose were harvested by hunters that own camps in the area and very likely did not see her pictures or read what I wrote about the moose fighting in our lower field. I do wish that the hunters had not left the viscera so close to the ATV trail.

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Andover

By JANE RICH



The Snow Valley Sno Goers will be hosting their annual Landowners Appreciation supper on Saturday, Oct. 20, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the Andover Congrega-

tional Church. The menu will be ham, mashed potatoes, green beans and homemade pies. Cost \$8 for adults, \$4 for children and children under 3 are free.

The Haunted House will be held on Friday, Oct. 19, and Saturday, Oct. 20, from 6 to 9 p.m. in the Andover Town Hall. While this is a Youth Group project of the First Congregational Church, it has also turned into a community project with many adults contributing time and talent to make this the "scariest" of all haunted houses. There will be two sections, one for younger children and one for the older set. Admission is \$5 and refreshments will be served. Actually the adults are having more fun than the kids devising costumes and coming up with original ideas for the various "rooms."

On Saturday the dowsing class with Paul Knoll was a huge success, as 17 participants learned about this ancient practice used

by our ancestors to find water. While this event was going on the annual Flu Shot Clinic was doing a brisk business in the Town Hall.

The Andover Historical Society's Open House on Sunday afternoon was well attended, as people looked over old kitchen utensils and other items that told the story of how life used to be in Andover.

There will be a Fall Festival at the First Congregational Church on Oct. 27 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. with a pie baking contest, vendors and take-out food consisting of baked beans, harvest soup, homemade bread and much more.

Harvest pictures of the children will be taken. Patrons are asked to help the local food pantry by bringing items for the Thanksgiving baskets which could include cranberry sauce, stuffing mix, assorted canned vegetables, pumpkin, pie crust mix and anything else that enhances the annual Thanksgiving feast.

Hanover

By CLEM WORCESTER



The trustees of Gardner Roberts Memorial Library met Oct. 9 for the monthly

meeting. The reports of the Secretary, Treasurer and Librarian were accepted. It was reported that the Celebration of Fall that took place Oct. 6 was very successful again this year. Although less money was earned than last year, it was a good showing and everyone had a good time. Library officials expressed appreciation to all who helped with this year's effort. Still to come is the raffle for the huge handcrafted quilt made by the Library Bees to be raffled on Election Day, Nov. 6. Librarian Peg Sussbury said that there were no plans to change the library hours. The trustees worked on revising the by-laws and constitution of the library. Lynn Ramsey said that there would be a workday on Oct. 10 to clean up the Children's Garden.

Wally and Brenda Devoe have moved from their Hanover home to be nearer Wally's work in the Portland area.

The harvest dinner at Rumford Grange 115 was one of the more successful Sunday dinners this year with about 60 people attending. Coming up next at Rumford Grange will be a turkey dinner to honor veterans on Sunday, Nov. 11.

On Saturday, Nov. 24, a craft fair will be at the Rumford Center Grange Hall. Anyone who does crafting and would like to reserve table space to sell products should contact Vicki at 364-2129.

Absentee ballots are available at the Hanover Town Office for the Nov. 6 Election for those who stop in during regular business hours. Also available are dog licenses for 2013. Be sure to bring the rabies

certificate along with a spay/neuter notice. Dog licenses are due by Dec. 31, 2012. Snowmobile licenses are also available for the year 2013.

Bryant Pond

By ALICE HOYT



Judith Grover tent 17 DUVCW met on Monday, Oct. 8, at the

Grange Hall with six members. President Vicky Myers read that on this date during the Civil War Brigadier General William T. Sherman was named to command the Union Dept. of the Cumberland headquarters at Louisville, Kentucky; he replaced Brigadier General Robert Anderson, who had been the commander at Fort Sumter, S.C. Elsie Bonney, who is working on names for the new monument, reported she is now getting names from 1900 up to now. Vicky Myers reported on the meeting she and Elsie attended in Stoneham on Sept. 26, which was very interesting. Elsie reported she and Sally gave the program at the Historical Society last month on the History of the Daughters of Union Veterans. Elsie also reported she and Sally attended a meeting in Greenville of tent 23. Elsie and husband, Larry traveled to Boston to attend the reception of National Commander of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. While there Elsie joined the Sons Auxiliary. Calls made were 16. The mystery package went to Helvi Cary. The next meeting is Nov. 12 at Alice Hoyt's.

On Oct. 21 at the Legion Hall, Locke Mills, the Greenwood Youth football team will hold a fundraiser spaghetti supper with spaghetti, salad, garlic bread, dessert and drink. The price is \$7 for 12 and up, \$5 for 11 and under. This meal will be served by the older football team.

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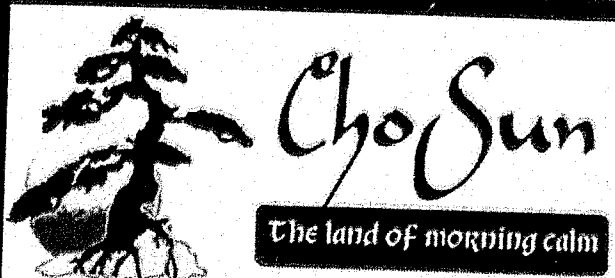
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Albany

By CATHY DENNETT



Greetings from Albany on this very dreary Sunday afternoon. I have many birds at my feeders. I do think that they know winter is on its way.

I did enjoy seeing many Albany Grandparents at CPS on Friday. How quickly our grandchildren grow up!

Jeff and Sue Barton visited his parents, Margaret and Franklin Barton, on Saturday evening.

David Bennett spent the weekend with me. We got a couple of chores done, went shopping and ate out last night. We came home and played several very close games of cribbage. I finally came out the winner with a twenty-four hand!

Have a grand week everyone.

Locke's Mills

By BETSEY FOSTER



There is interest in the Round Pond Corner Store. Earlier this week a person

talked with the Greenwood Planning Board about the possibility of having a garden center there. Stay tuned as it was too late for this column.

The meeting about the future of the Greenwood Post Office is coming right up. It will be Oct. 24, 4 p.m., at the post office. We will get to hear the results of the recent survey as well as give input.

No decision will be made regarding Greenwood's level of service until after this public meeting. As they say, speak now or forever hold your peace.

Absentee ballots for national, state, and local elections are available at the Greenwood Town Office. You can call and request one be mailed to you or stop in and vote by absentee now. Ballots must be requested by Nov. 2 and returned by 8 p.m. election day Nov. 6. This is a somewhat different schedule than other towns that require earlier return for

absentee ballots. Town Manager Kim Sparks said that due to the small number of registered voters, they can accommodate absentee returns up until the close of the polls on election day. Regardless of your politics, get out and vote. See above about speaking versus holding your peace.

The hiking at Maggie's Nature Park along the Greenwood Road is great right now. The leaves have fallen and cover the trails in all colors, a wide variety of mushrooms have emerged, and the temperatures are perfect for a walk up Ring Hill or Peaked Mountain. There are trails to fit everyone from the level Maggie's trail to steeper and longer terrain. The great boulders dropped by the glacier are scattered along all the trails and range from the height of a person to several times that. Always something interesting to look at.

And, speaking of forests, Tom Wessels will be speaking on "Reading the Forested Landscape" at the Mahoosuc Land Trust annual meeting Sunday, Oct. 21, 7 p.m. at Gould Academy (Ordway Living Room). All are welcome; free for members and \$5 for non-members.

Hunting seasons are upon us. It has been bear, bird, moose seasons for a while, and deer rifle season begins Oct. 27 (a day for Maine residents only) and Oct. 29 for all. For those of you apt to wander the woods and fields, wear your orange and do the same for your dogs and other animals through Nov. 24.

Are you familiar with Hunters for the Hungry? This is a cooperative program between the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife and The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) within the Department of Agriculture. The program provides a means for hunters to donate all or a portion of their hunt to a family in need. For more information on this program, call toll free 1-888-4DEER-ME (433-3763).

The Bethel Outing Club Ski Sale and Swap is coming up Oct. 26 and 27. They are looking for volunteers. If you are willing to spend

a few hours helping them, call Ann at 824-2586.

Remember that Butch Fuller and musicians will be playing at the Greenwood Town Hall, Sunday, Oct. 21, 2 p.m., to benefit the Greenwood Historical Society. Come one, come all, and bring a cushion for the chairs.

Come hike the new trail around Overset Pond and over Overset Mountain this weekend. On Saturday, Oct. 20, at 9:30 a.m. is the hike on the new trail. Following the hike, Larry Stifler and Mary McFadden will host a lunch in Willis Mills. The hike is a two-mile loop, after a one-mile walk on a logging road. Transportation to the hiking loop will be available. Bruce Barrett is guiding the hike. Parking is along Willis Mills Road, about 100 yards after turning off Patch Mountain Road in Greenwood.

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Waterford

By ROCKIE GRAHAM



We went to southern Maine yesterday. It was amazing to watch the season

change as we went south. Leaves may be totally or almost totally changed here, but not further south where they are approaching peak. I'll bet even further south they are not at peak yet. In any case, they were nice to see. We took the leisurely route and went near the water. It took longer, but was nicer than the turnpike. We came back that way so we could get home by dark. All in all it was a good trip.

Last week I went to Auburn to the doc and let him convince me I needed a shot and it would end the pain in my arm. It did for all of ten minutes and the next morning it was like nothing had changed. It still hurt to use that arm and to carry things. But at least I now know it is in the nerves. Doesn't make

it feel better, but always nice to know what it is.

Thursday, Oct. 18, ACA will meet at 10 a.m. at the Waterford Library. We love the library, but I am hoping to find an accessible location come winter. I know the steps to the library are too daunting to some. Anyone with a suggestion or wanting more information about the meetings please call 739-9115.

Friday, Oct. 19, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Suzanne Dunham will hold a seminar on Gluten Free Living at the Fare Share Commons. The fee is \$8. Bring your favorite recipe and she'll show you how to make it gluten free.

Saturday, Oct. 20, 9 a.m., Western Maine Foothills Land Trust will hold a 5k run at the Roberts Farm on Robert's Road in Norway. Following the 5k, there will be a 5k Canine cross for active dogs and owners. FMI please call 739-2124.

Sunday, Oct. 21, at 10:30 a.m. OCEA will meet at the North Waterford Congo Church on Route 35. There will be a brief meeting before the noon luncheon. All retired school personnel are invited. The cost is \$7. It is a fundraiser book sale, John Kimball will speak.

Oct. 21, the Harrison VFW will hold a breakfast on the Waterford Road on Route 35 from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. Breakfast includes eggs, bacon, sausage, biscuits and gravy, fruit, sweet breads, etc. Donations accepted.

Next weekend, Friday and Saturday, Oct. 26 and 27, Bethel Outing Club will hold their Annual Ski Sale and Swap at Gould Academy Field House. FMI please call 824-2586.

Also on Oct. 27 is the Newry Fall Festival at the Bear River Grange. Proceeds go to Christmas for Families. FMI please call the Newry Town Office at 824-3123.

That is all for this week. Enjoy the fall beauty and stay safe.

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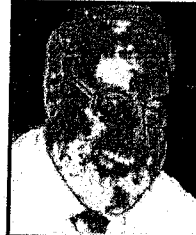
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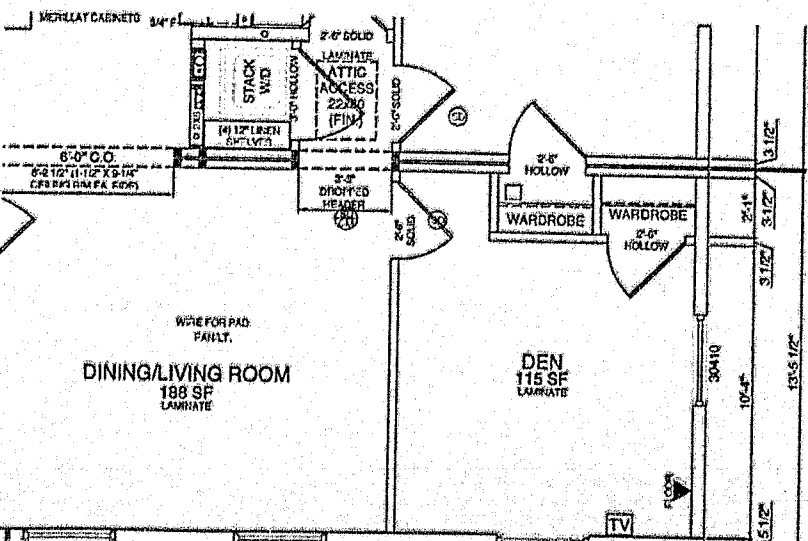
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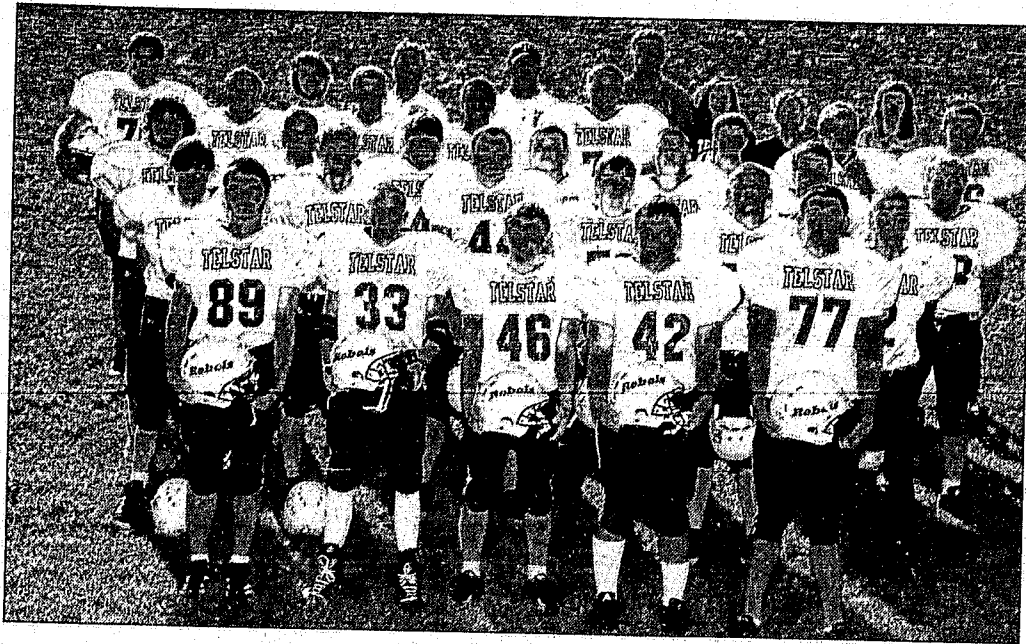
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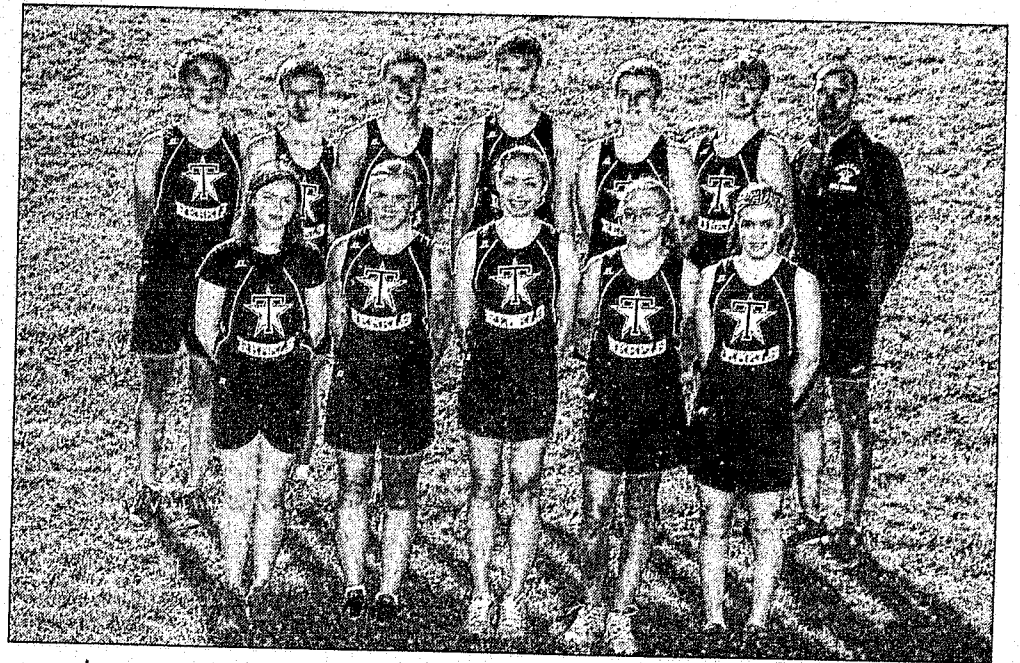


TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL 2012 FOOTBALL

Front: Zach Hartzell, Mitch Sabins, Tyler Cherkis, Will Lyman, Mike DelDuca. Row 2: Branden Worthly, Jared Vermette, Nick Mills, Kurt Morgan, Brett Gould, Austin Ryerson. Row 3: Zac Wheeler, Maverik Griffin, Andrew Mills, Zach Mills, Ryan Vall, Chris Chappie, Noah Rose. Back: Keith Crockett-Harrington, Dakota Merrill, Fabian Coriveau, Cameron Pike, David Pilgrim, Calvin Glover, Dylan Cherkis, Devin Merrill.

TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL 2012 CROSS-COUNTRY

Front: Kaitlyn Brown, Rebecca Tuttle, Anna Hawthorne, Carla Boyle-Wight, Gabbi Stone. Back: Greg Wheeler, Henry Brooks, Josef Holt-Andrews, Taber Pasternak, Bronson Dean, John Brooks, Coach Dan Crooker. Absent: Zach Kellner.



TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL 2012 GOLF

From left: Hunter Williamson, Travis Jackson, Hunter Chase, Colt Davis, Buddy Williamson, Nancy Huston, Reggie Westleigh.

TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL 2012 BOYS' SOCCER

Front: David Mason, Nick Johnson, Mohammed Al-Zuibaidi, Dylan Helms, Liam Gallagher, Nik Conrad, Calob Morton. Back: Aaron Speakman, Jeriah Edwards, Tyler James, Rick James, Eric Lowell, Camron Rothwell, Coach John Elliot.



TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL 2012 GIRLS' SOCCER

Front: Jillian DeLallo, Savanna Pelletier, Courtney Currier, Kijah Bartlett, Jennifer Wakefield. Middle: Ana Harren, Emileigh Parsons, Malsey Griffin, Lakota Monzo, Monica Frazer, Maddie Prentice, Rachael Wheeler. Back: Coach Bob Remington, Tori Ryerson, Casey Blaszcak, Skyelynn Paten, Alyssa Brands, Sequiera Lavender, Ashley Savage.

TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL 2012 VARSITY FIELD HOCKEY

Front: Autum Morin, Dakota Verrill, Hall Barter, Hannah Ryerson, Becca Howard. Middle: Coach Gail Wight, Andra Risko, Marty Letourneau, Sam Mallory, Olivia York, Sadie Ellsworth, Gabi Conrad, Coach Davis. Back: Gabby Monzo, Carlee Beatson, Savannah Patenaude, Anneliese Smith, Lexie Broomhall, Mariha Morin, Kayla Verrill. Absent: Bri Santos, Kitty Coolidge.



TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL 2012 J.V. FIELD HOCKEY

Front: Ellie Conrad, Kirstle Haas, Kaylee Haas, Savannah Vermette, Mariah Millett. Middle: Elizabeth Brooks (manager), Annie Cushman, Blair Stevens, Maureen Glover, Katie Merrill, Savannah Laird. Back: Coach Lori Davis, Hayley Peterson, Angie Hohnholt, Octavia Morin, Rebecca Miller, Kelsey Hurlbert, Coach Gail Wight. Absent: Mackenzie Bragg-Albert, Ellis Coffin.

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Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

CRISSCROSS - OCTOBER 31

Each word will fit into one spot in the grid. Use the starting letters as a guide and fit each word into its spot. All words will be used, so cross off each one after you put it into the grid.

3 Letters
FUN
WEB

4 Letters
CAPE
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5 Letters
BLOOD
CLOWN
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6 Letters
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7 Letters
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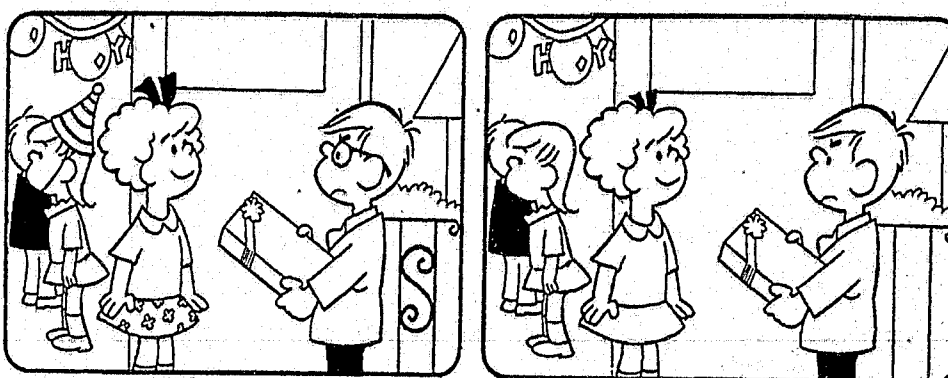
8 Letters
COSTUMES
PRINCESS
WEREWOLF

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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTIHOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences:
1. Hat is missing. 2. Bow is smaller. 3. Skirt is different. 4. Package is smaller.
5. Eyeglasses are missing. 6. Railing scroll is missing.

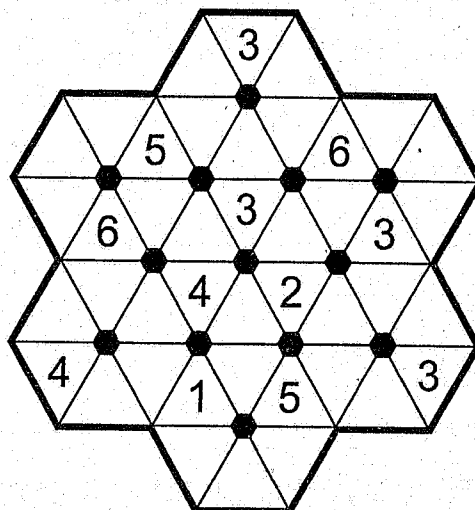
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SNOWFLAKES

by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the number 1-6 around each of them.

No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.



DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆

◆ Easy ◆ Medium ◆◆◆ Difficult

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SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!



"My wife
when I'm out—but at home
her aim is perfect!"

Accident
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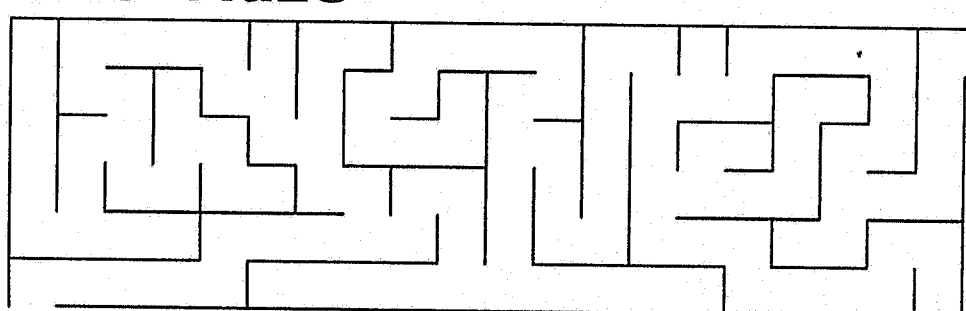
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TODAY'S WORDS

Kids' Maze



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Super Crossword

"BOTTOMS UP!"

- ACROSS**

1 Like positive numbers

10 "Peace"

16 Toll, as a bell

20 Person at the helm

21 "Om," e.g.

22 River of Hesse

23 Composer of the opera "Prince Igor"

25 Hightail it

26 "Z" actress

27 Musical reworking: Abbr.

28 Most macabre

30 Martial arts actor Jackie

31 Baseball's all-time leader in stolen bases

36 Boat rower's need

37 Throws

39 Ship's back

40 Giant in insurance

41 Glancing piercingly

43 Syr.

44 Next year's srs.

45 Suffix with east or west

46 Organism on a slide

48 Fraction of a fl. oz.

51 Longtime Hearst publication

59 Call for help

60 Ryder of "Heathers"

61 Introduce, as a new year

62 — Gay (old war plane)

65 Theme of this puzzle

69 Go with the flow

70 Medium of many all-talk stations

72 Asimov and Newton

74 Anti-trafficating gp.

75 Tomatoey seafood soup

81 — cone (cooling treat)

82 Divide up by type

83 Suffix with prefect

84 Bolted

86 — Lankan

87 Acacia's kin

94 Spring

97 Onyx or opal

98 Certain fishing pot

99 "Yummy" pair

100 Locale of the Venezuelan city

103 — a Lady

104 Autumn zodiac sign

105 Ocean off FL

106 Legendary furrier

108 Prong

109 Carnivorous North American rodent

116 Right fielder

117 Dissimilar to

118 Rocks atop

119 Camera part

120 Willow family member

121 Consensus

DOWN

1 Tennis! Ivanovic

2 "South Pacific" song

3 Like some swimming strokes

4 Female fox

5 New York City cardinal

6 Edward

7 Writer Grey

8 Future fry

9 Bruins great

10 Campfire snacks

11 Actor Hamlin

12 "It's — -brainer"

13 English "Inc."

14 Situate

15 Like horses

16 Shoots a rifle again

17 Least busy

18 "Kinsey" star

19 — Green, Scotland

24 Dried by heat

29 Raise

30 Machine tooth

31 U.S. 1, e.g.

32 Bitterly cold

33 Guerrilla

34 Is sporting

35 Violinist

36 Zimbalist

37 Salon option

38 "I can just see —"

42 French "the"

43 — bad boy!

44 Drinking

46 Slanling

47 — & Lomb

48 Angry rant

49 Hidden

50 Tetra- plus one

51 Swindling guy

52 City in south Chile

53 Lace loops

54 "Starpeace" singer Yoko

55 Rapper Tone

56 Fluid in a pen

57 "Oh, clever!"

58 Last British

59 Clothing lines

63 "Well, — -di-dahl!"

64 Boise's county

66 Sly-fox filler

67 "Take me as —"

68 Body of eau

71 Call — evening

73 Composer John Philip

76 It's a plus

77 Shearer of the screen

78 — de coeur

79 Saran, say

80 Clue seeker: Abbr.

84 Backslide

85 "And hurry!"

87 — Yello (soft drink brand)

88 Stevedores' org.

89 Everest, e.g.: Abbr.

90 Munic. law

91 Put In a new home

92 Writer Ralph Waldo —

93 Quaint suffix with poet

94 Dutch beer

95 Wisconsin city

96 Easy-to-attach patch

97 "Buon —!" (Italian "Good day!")

98 Nehemiah's Job linkup

101 Equip for use

102 "May — favor?"

103 Squall, e.g.

106 Skill, in Sicily

107 Captain Hook's henchman

110 High Swiss peak

111 RSVP part

112 K-12 org.

113 Violin tuner

114 Ballad's end?

115 Doc with an otoscope

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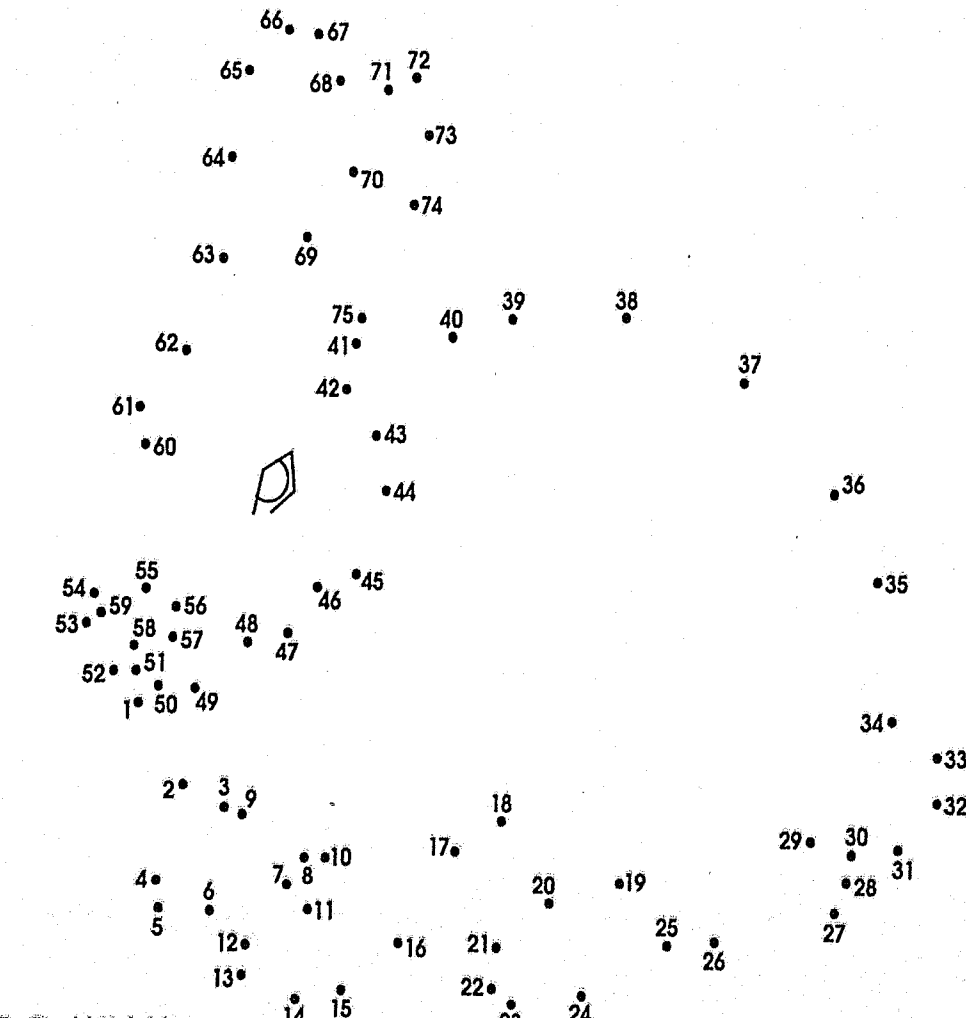
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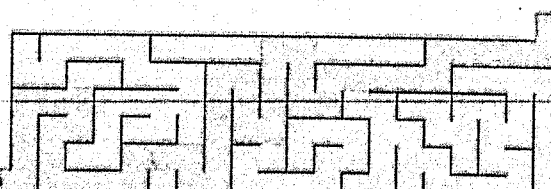
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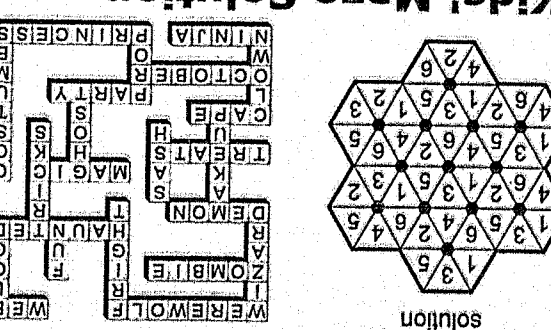


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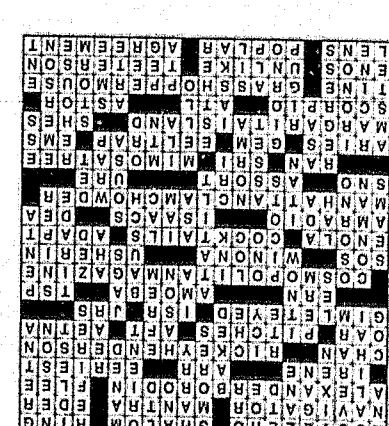
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Kids' Maze Solution



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Super Crossword

Today's Words: Misses Me

1. Mischief 2. Speech 3. Smart 4. Receive

ANSWERS:

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Land Trust annual meeting Sunday

The Mahoosuc Land Trust's 23rd Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, Oct. 21, at 7 p.m. in the Ordway Living Room at Gould Academy. Following the business portion of the meeting, Tom Wessels, noted ecologist and author, will be the featured speaker.

His presentation, "Reading the Forested Landscape," based on his well-known book, "Reading the Forested Landscape, A Natural History of New England."

"It is wonderful to know nature through one-on-one encounters with other organisms, but it is perhaps more empowering to gain a fuller understanding of the patterns that have shaped its landscapes. Through some knowledge of history and the broader

view of seeing a forest and not just its trees, we begin to see the forces that shape a place. This new way of seeing creates reverence, respect, a sense of inclusion and accountability. Reading the landscape is not just about identifying landscape patterns; more importantly, it is an interactive narrative that involves humans and nature. For those interested in enhancing their sense of place, I know of no better way than by becoming intimately acquainted with their local forests and the fascinating stories they tell," Tom Wessels 1997

In his program, Tom will introduce people to approaches used to interpret a forest's history while wandering through it. Using evidence such as the shapes of trees, scars on their trunks, the pattern of decay in stumps, the construction of stone walls, and the lay of the land, it is possible to unravel complex stories etched into our forested

landscape. This process could easily be called forest forensics, since it is quite similar to interpreting a crime scene.

Thousands of readers have had their experience of being in a forest changed forever by reading Tom Wessels's "Reading the Forested Landscape." Was it logged in the past? Was there ever a major catastrophe like a fire or a wind storm that brought trees down?

Tom Wessels is an ecologist and founding director of the master's degree program in Conservation Biology at Antioch University New England. He is presently Faculty Emeritus.

He is the current chair of The Center for Whole Communities that fosters inclusive communities that are strongly rooted in place and where all people - regardless of income, race, or background - have access to and a healthy relationship with land. He is former

chair of the Robert and Patricia Switzer Foundation that fosters environmental leadership through graduate fellowships and organizational grants.

He served as an ecological consultant to the Rain Forest Alliance's Smart Wood Green Certification Program. In that capacity Tom helped draft green certification assessment guidelines for forest operations in the northeastern United States and adjacent Canada.

Tom has conducted landscape level workshops throughout the United States for over 30 years. His books include: "Reading the Forested Landscape," "The Granite Landscape," "Untamed Vermont," "The Myth of Progress," and "Forest Forensics: A Field Guide to Reading the Forested Landscape."

The Mahoosuc Land Trust Annual Meeting is open to the public. Memberships and membership renewals are available at the meeting. A \$5 donation

is requested from those attending who are not Land Trust members.

Senior Citizens meet

The Bethel Senior Citizens Club met Oct. 10 at the West Bethel Grange Hall for their meeting and dinner with 33 members present. President Caroline Gould conducted the meeting, led the salute to the flag, led in singing "My Country 'Tis of Thee" and offered a prayer.

Reports were given by Musa Brown and Arlene Lowell. Fran Head gave a report on the foliage trip to Rangeley.

The next meeting will be Nov. 14 at the Locke Mills Legion Hall. Meeting starts at 11 a.m. Menu is chicken pie and the price is \$11 which includes dessert. Reservations must be made before Oct. 31 by calling Caroline

Gould at 824-3226 or Arlene Lowell at 824-2877. The program will be "Just the Two of Us," singers from West Paris.

The door prize was won by Fran Head and the 50/50 by Beverly Tuttle.

Caroline Gould spoke about programs that Senior Plus has available to Senior Citizens. Some are in Lewiston and there are some in Bethel.

Carolyn Campbell and Roberta Taylor from the senior players did a humorous skit which was enjoyed by all.

Several humorous readings were done by Barbara Mahler.

The December meeting will be at the Bethel Inn. Price of the dinner will be \$15. A suggestion was made that the members pay \$10 and the club pay the other \$5; a vote needs to be taken at the November meeting. Non members will pay \$15

October birthdays are: Ruth Hazelton, Martha Sweatt, Mary Brown and Nancy Willard.

Community Calendar

Thursdays, thru-Nov. 1

10 a.m. to 12 Noon - **Matter of Balance: Managing Concerns about Falls**, at Stephens Memorial Hospital Training Center, 193 Main Street, Norway. Eight sessions. Cost \$10 per person - scholarships available. Registration required. FMI/register: (866) 609-5183.

Tuesdays, thru Nov. 6

4:30 p.m. - LRC Nordic Walking, meet Riverside Trail at Oxford Hills Middle School (100 Pine Street) in South Paris. Shows how to get great, low-impact core workout with own two poles (poles available). Free. FMI/registration (required): (866) 609-5183.

Thursday, Oct. 18

10 a.m. to 4 p.m. - **Bethel Historical Society Exhibit Opening: "Treasures Concealed and Now Revealed!"** Demonstrates the breadth and depth of the society's holdings, the exhibition will feature seldom, or never before displayed items collected and preserved by the society but hidden away for decades.

6 p.m. - **Community Supper**, Wilkins Community House, Plummer Hill Road, Waterford. Bring dish to share. FMI: 583-6677.

Bethel Masonic Lodge 6:15 dinner, 7 p.m. meeting. Fellowship Degree on one candidate.

Friday Oct. 19

8:15 a.m. - **Androscoggin River Clean-up** Gilead to West Bethel (pending weather) by 12 students and two teachers, who will travel both banks of the river and arrive at West Bethel boat launch about 1:30 p.m. Community members are invited - bring your own boat and meet at 8:15 a.m. at Gilead boat launch - if a canoe needed, call Steve Keane (824-2608).

Friday and Saturday, Oct. 19 and 20

6 to 9 p.m. - **Haunted House** at Andover Town Hall. Admission \$5. Refreshments served.

6 to 9 p.m. - **Halloween-Fest**, Maine Wildlife Park, Gray. Adults and kids alike wear their costumes to get into spooky spirit of Halloween. Three haunted hay rides, marshmallow shootout or pumpkin bowling, scary scarecrow stories, and much more. FMI: 557-0118 or visit www.maine-wildlifepark.com.

8 p.m. - **Celebration Barn Theater**, South Paris, presents *The Early Evening Show*. Tickets: adults \$14/ seniors \$12/students and kids \$8.

Saturday, Oct. 20

9 a.m. - **SWOAM** (Small Woodland Owners Association of Maine focuses on cutting hardwood logs for grade will be held at Chapter President Bill Haynes' sawmill, Sweden Road, 3/4 mile from Routes 35/37, South Waterford. Coffee/donuts available 8:30 a.m. session free and open to everyone. FMI: Bill Haynes (583-2963) or e-mail forest@maine.com or call Merle Ring (441-3276).

9 to 12 a.m. - **Bethel Masonic Lodge Open House**, Northern Forest Heritage Park, Main Street, Berlin, N.H., hosting *River Fire and Horrorfest*. Activities for everyone. FMI: (603) 752-6060 or www.berlinnh.gov/riverfire or www.facebook.com/riverfire.berlinnh or www.androscogginvalleychamber.com

9 a.m. - **Western Foothills Land Trust 5k run** at Roberts Farm Preserve, 64 Roberts Road, Norway, rain or shine. Following runners - 5k canine-cross for active owner and dog teams. FMI: 739-2124.

9 a.m. to 4 p.m. - **Rumford Pumpkin Fest** on Island. Pumpkin pancake breakfast, apple cider demonstration making and tasting, face painting, pumpkin carving and painting, pictures taken with the Great Pumpkin, classic car show, scavenger hunt, pumpkin seed spitting contest, pumpkin dessert contest, store

window decorating contest, musical entertainment. If rain, activities at Rumford Fire House and Town Hall auditorium.

9:30 a.m. - **Mahoosuc Land Trust Hike** around Overset Pond and over Overset Mountain. Two-mile hiking loop, after one-mile walk on logging road, transportation available. Parking is along Willis Mills Road, about 100 yards after turning off Patch Mountain Road, Greenwood. Larry Stifler and Mary McFadden hosting lunch following hike. RSVP mlt@mahoosuc.org if you plan to attend, or call 824-3806 by Thursday, Oct. 18. More detailed directions available.

10 a.m. to 4 p.m. - **Fall Foliage Scenic Flights** Community Event at Bethel Regional Airport, North Road, Bethel. Public airplane rides in exchange for donation to cover costs. Burgers and hot dogs available. FMI/or weather postponement: call 512-5552.

Summer Volunteer Fire Auxiliary bi-annual Ticket Auction, Buckfield Junior-Senior High School. Proceeds support Summer Volunteer Fire Department. Viewing: 11 a.m.; Auction starts 1 p.m. FMI: Brenda Bragg (388-2287), Lucy Wilcox (388-2824) or Gail Eastman (674-5522).

5 to 7 p.m. - **Do You Eat? Eating is for Everyone**, organized by the Local Food Connection, at Telstar High School. Eat and learn about local foods.

5 p.m. - **Public Buffet Supper** featuring Finnish, American and other ethnic foods, Finnish American Heritage Center, 8 Maple Street, West Paris. Cost: \$8 adults/\$4 children.

5 p.m. - **Turkey Supper**, Blazing Star Lodge, Route 232, Rumford. Family style. Stair chair back stairs. Cost \$10/under 12 \$5. FMI: 364-4715.

5:30 p.m. - **Field and Farm Supper**, East Sumner Congregational church, Route 219. Take-out available. Cost: \$7/ family max \$20. FMI: 288-2263.

5:30 to 7 p.m. - **Snow Valley Snowmobile Club** Landowner Appreciation and Public Supper at Congregational Church, Andover. Dinner menu: baked ham, mashed potato, green beans, assorted homemade pies. Cost: Adult \$8/12 and under \$4/children 3 and under free.

6 p.m. - **Chinese/Ticket Auction**, Locke Mills Legion Hall. Over 300 items. Doors open 4 p.m. Dinner (Chicken ala King or Baked Beans) served at 4 p.m. Proceeds benefit Telstar Alumni Association. FMI: call Sally 875-3335.

7 to 10 p.m. - **Dance** to music of Jones Dance Band, American Legion Hall, 12 Church Street, South Paris. Cost: \$5.

Sunday, Oct. 21

10:30 a.m. - **OCEA-meeting**, North Waterford Congregational Church, Route 35. Brief meeting before noon luncheon. All retired public school personnel invited. Cost: \$7. Fundraiser is book sale. Speaker: John Kimball.

1 p.m. - **Walk** along portion of Portland Pipeline in Waterford. Meet at pipeline corridor at crossing of Mill Road. FMI and directions: 739-2124 or e-mail Lee at WFLT@megalink.net or Bart Hague (583-4439) or e-mail bart.hague@roadrunner.com.

2 p.m. - **Finnish-American Heritage Society of Maine** regular monthly meeting at Finnish-American Heritage Center, 8 Maple Street, West Paris. Brief business meeting followed by program and coffee social. Library, gift shop and museum open. Public invited.

5 to 7 p.m. - **Public Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser**, by Mahoosuc Regional Youth Football League at Jackson-Silver Post, Gore Road, Locke Mills. Price: \$7 12 years and older and \$5 for 11 and under. Raffle items and 50/50 drawing.

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author, will present "Reading the Forested Landscape, A Natural History of New England." Open to public. Membership and membership renewals available at meeting. \$5 donation requested from non-members.

2 to 4 p.m. - **Afternoon Tea with Ty** at Bear River Grange Hall, Newry. Tyler James was in a car accident and suffered from a head injury. He is now home, but still has a challenging road ahead. Please stop by to show support and encouragement. Refreshments will be served. FMI: Newry Town Office 824-3123

2 p.m. - **Butch Fuller and musicians** play at Greenwood Town Hall to benefit Greenwood Historical Society. Bring cushion for chair.

Monday, Oct. 22

6:30 p.m. - **Bridge Group** meets at Waterford Library. No partner necessary. No meeting Dec. 24. FMI: 583-2729.

Tuesday, Oct. 23

6:30 p.m. - **Andover Withdrawal Committee** first meeting at Andover Town Office.

7:30 p.m. - **Bethel Historical Society** presents "My House/My Land: What is its History?" (part 3). Gary Inman, Points North Surveying, Albany, will discuss importance of having a property legally defined on the ground by surveys, how surveys are properly carried out, and what problems surveyors often encounter in their research.

Tuesday and Wednesday, Oct. 23 and 24

Mahoosuc Arts Council presents the Burlington Taiko Group for four performances. Performance for general public will be 7 p.m. Oct. 23, at Bingham Auditorium, 45 Church Street, Bethel. Tickets: \$15. FMI: 824-3575.

Friday, Oct. 26

5:30 p.m. - **Oxford County Democrats Supper**, Second Congregational Church, Norway. Tickets: \$10 sold at door.

7 p.m. - **Comedian Musician Bruce McKenzie Johnson** returns to Leura Hill Eastman Performing Arts Center, 18 Bradley Street, Fryeburg/ Tickets: \$8 adults/\$4 children; purchase online at www.fryeburgacademy.org/pac or call Box Office (35-9232. Free parking.

Friday and Saturday, Oct. 26 and 27

32nd Annual Bethel Outing Club Ski Sale and Swap at Gould Academy Field House, lower Church Street. Buy new or used alpine, Nordic and snowboarding equipment and clothing Thursday, Oct. 26, 6 to 9 p.m. and Saturday, Oct. 27 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. FMI: www.bethelouting.org www.boc-fall-ski-sale or call Ann at 824-2586.

Saturday, Oct. 27

9 a.m. to 2 p.m. - **Newry Fall Festival**, Bear River Grange Hall. Craft Fair and Bake Sale. Proceeds from bake sale will be donated to Christmas for Families Foundation. If interested in participating, contact Newry Town Office (824-3123).

9 a.m. to 2 p.m. - **19th Annual Craft Fair**, Rumford Elementary School, Lincoln Avenue. Many crafts for sale. Lunch served at ABC cafe. Open to public.

Noon to 2 p.m. - **Taste of Bethel and Oxford County Community and Business EXPO**, and the Job Seeker, Telstar High School. FMI: 824-2282.

Sunday, Oct. 28

1 p.m. - **Upton Historical Society** meeting in the school.

1 to 4 p.m. - **Food Forest** workshop presented by Alan Day Community Garden, Whitman Street, Norway. FMI: Rocky Crockett 743-2423 or visit aldaygarden.wordpress.com.

SUPPORT SERVICES

SAFE VOICES

Safe Voices serves all of Oxford County and provides emergency shelter, court advocacy and support groups with child care. Rumford office 369-0750; Norway office 743-5806; 24 hour hotline 1-800-559-2927

REACH

Rape Education and Crisis Hotline 1-800-871-7741. Sexual assault/sexual abuse hotline, same number. Support groups and awareness education, past or present victims of abuse.

AA MEETINGS/ADDICTION HELP

Bethel Freedom Group. Open Discussion Meeting. Saturdays at 4:30 in the Snow Cap Inn conference room, next to the fitness room. Sunday River. Seasonal, Thanksgiving through April 1, Big Book Meeting Sundays at 6 p.m. at the United Methodist Church, Main Street. 12 Step/Traditions Meeting Tuesdays at 6pm at the United Methodist Church, Main Street. Open Discussion Meeting Fridays at 6 pm at Bethel United Methodist Church, Main Street.

People in recovery from alcohol/drug addiction may need to move to a Next Step group. Open to everyone who feels they may benefit from a change. FMI: Laurence Austin at 824-4077

(calls confidential)

Adult Children of Alcoholics and Dysfunctional Families (ACOA or ACA) meeting at Waterford Library (Route 37 across from the Commons) Thursdays, 10 to 11 a.m. All welcome. FMI call 739-9115.

CANCER WELLNESS

Support and Education for cancer patients, survivors and caregivers. Every Thursday, 1:30-3 p.m. Rumford Hospital, Room 357. (877) 836-7287. Call to confirm in stormy weather.

EXCHANGES/PANTRIES

Clothing Exchange, Bethel Park, 23 Mason Street, Bethel. Hours: Monday 1 to 4, Thursday 4 to 6, Saturday, 10 to 12 a.m. Donations of gently-used clothing only accepted during open hours. No exceptions. 824-4090. Clothing may also be dropped off at Northeast Bank on Main Street.

Food Pantry, Nazarene Church, Park Street, Bethel. By appointment only (824-0369).

HELP FOR THE HOMELESS

Rumford Group Homes, Inc. operates three homeless shelters, a transitional living program for youth 18-21, homeless youth outreach and case management services for adults and

children. Emergency shelter includes the South Paris Men's Shelter, the Norway Family Center for women and children in crisis, and our Rumford Family Center in Rumford for families. To make a referral or request help in the South Paris area, call 743-6363 or call 869-9439 for help in the Rumford area M-F 9 a.m.-5 p.m. For more information on Rumford Group Homes, Inc. call 364-3551 or visit www.rumfordgrouphomes.org.

VETERANS' SERVICES

Maine Veterans Home, S. Paris, Veterans' Advocate visits first and third Wednesday each month, 9-12 noon (743-6300); Rumford 9-12 noon second Thursday at VA Clinic at 431 Franklin St. (369-3272). Maine Veterans' Services is located at 29 Westminster St., Lewiston (783-5306). (No visits in July)

MULTIPLE SERVICES

Community Concepts provides Oxford County Head Start, childcare, free rides to Maine Care appointments, subsidized apartments (Bethel, Brownfield, Fryeburg, Norway, Rumford, South Paris), affordable home-ownership opportunities, homeless shelter and assistance with home heating or weatherizing. FMI: call (800) 866-5588 or visit www.community-concepts.org.

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Democrats wind up campaign

The Oxford County Democrats will wind up the campaign season with two suppers on Friday, Oct. 26 in Norway and Thursday, Nov. 1 in Rumford. The Norway supper will be held at the Second Congregational Church at 5:30 and will feature a menu of ham, mac and cheese, salads and dessert prepared by the church volunteers. Mike Tipping, popular blogger on politics for the Bangor Daily News will be the speaker and Oxford Hills candidates Rep. Terry Hayes, Dennise Whitley for Maine State Senate, Mary Lou St. John for House 95, Colin O'Neill for House 100, Charleen Chase for County Commissioner, and Carol Gutekunst for Register of Probate will be attending. Tickets are sold at the door for \$10.

The traditional Final Push Supper will be held at the Rumford Eagles Hall on Nov. 1 at 5:30 p.m. with Congressman Mike Michaud as the guest of honor and candidates Senator John Patrick, Rep. Matt Peterson, Rep. Sheryl Briggs, Mike Broderick, Jane Rich and Carol Gutekunst in attendance. The menu is spaghetti, and the ticket price is \$7 at the door.

The booth at the Fryeburg Fair was a tremendous success staffed by a great group of volunteers including Linda Goldsmith, Karen Bean, Pat Shearman, Jan Cardoza, Phil Ohman, Gayle Russell, Sallie Crittenden, Richard Beal, Diana Bell, Warren Richardson, Dotty Blake, Bob and Cindy Kirchherr, Jane Dineen, Deb Bullard, Nancy Willard, Irene Redman, Loraine Duclos, Kathy Burke, Eric Gothberg, Henry and Pat Stewart, Anita Hafford, Rose Rogers-Wells, Merrill Bittner, Nancy Noppa, Marlene and Larry Engdahl, Jimmy and Brenda McHugh, Cathy Newell, Rep. Helen Rankin, Bob and Lynn Duplessie, Andrea Burns, and Jon Albrecht. The Parade featured candidates Rep. Helen Rankin, House 97, Dennise Whitley, candidate for Maine State

Senate, Lisa Villa for House 98, Charleen Chase for County Commissioner, former Rep. Bob Duplessie, plus a fine turnout of volunteers from Steffi Hastings' family, accompanying the Barack and Michelle Obama cutouts, and vehicles driven by Jimmy McHugh of Mexico and Madeleine Bernaiche of Hiram. County Chair Cathy Newell provided the announcements for the Oxford County Democrats during their marching.

Candidates Helen Rankin, Dennise Whitley, Lisa Villa, and Charleen Chase had a reunion with Senator Olympia Snowe following the parade and took the opportunity to thank her for her years of service.

The offices in Mexico, Norway and Bridgton are focusing on voter contact and are welcoming volunteers for the final weeks of the campaign. Please contact Cathy Newell, 357-7510, to sign up for volunteer shifts at any of our locations or to volunteer from home.

For additional information on the Oxford County Democrats visit <https://www.facebook.com/OxfordCountyDems>.

"The Barns of Maine" at BHS

Don Perkins, author of the recently released book, "The Barns of Maine: Our History, Our Stories," will discuss the history of Maine's barns, which went through three basic phases or periods, at the Bethel Historical Society on Wednesday, Nov. 7, at 1 p.m. Using historic and contemporary images, he also will illuminate regional trends in the construction of barns throughout Maine.

A former carpenter and woodworker with a long-time interest in timber framing, Perkins has been a freelance writer since 2005 and has lived near Sebago Lake in Raymond since 1994. In 2007-2008, he penned a series of articles on local barns for a Gray-New Gloucester, Maine, weekly that garnered much interest, running for some 20 weeks; another barn column appeared in the Advertiser-Democrat

newspaper for a year and a half.

Although humble in their function, Maine's carefully crafted barns have shaped the lives of people in the Pine Tree State for centuries. Built long before the days of plastic and plywood, the barns have survived for generations, each with a story to tell. In Bridgton, for example, one barn offered comfort to a sixteen-year-old boy when his father was injured. Another barn in New Gloucester was so important to one family that its likeness was engraved on their headstones. In fact, some owners have said they would rather see their houses burn than their barns, and others have dedicated their lives and livelihoods to restoring and preserving these buildings.

In his book, Don Perkins examines barn structures ranging from modest English versions to grand Victorian buildings. As he describes the origins and evolution of Maine's barns, he convincingly demonstrates the vital and precious role they play in people's lives.

Copies of Perkins' book, the culmination of many years of probing the engineering masterwork and people behind historic barns in Maine, will be available for purchase and signing following his program. As always, members of the Bethel Historical Society will receive a 10 percent discount. The lecture and book signing will be held in the Mason House exhibit hall, 14 Broad Street, Bethel.

Founded in 1966, the Bethel Historical Society is western Maine's largest and most comprehensive historical agency. With over 1,000 members, the society fosters a sense of place - with a focus on western Maine and the White Mountain region - by collecting, preserving, displaying and interpreting historically significant artifacts and documents for residents, visitors, students, and scholars. Through its exhibits, programs, events, and publications, the society strives to make the region's history meaningful, accessible, and enjoyable.

Telstar posts first Varsity football win in new era

The Telstar Rebels defeated Sacopec Valley 38-0 Friday night for the team's first varsity win since the re-establishment of football at the school.

After five years of playing as a J.V. squad, the Rebels became a varsity team last year.

In Friday's game at Sacopec, Telstar racked up 380 yards of rushing, according to Coach Tim O'Connor.

Nick Mills led the running attack, carrying the ball 21 times with 250 yards rushing. He scored five touchdowns. Quarterback Jared Vermette threw a 40 yard pass to Zach Hartzell and carried four times for 48 yards.

Tyler Cherkis scored one touchdown.

On defense, Austin Ryerson led the charge with 10 tackles and four assisted tackles, Tyler Cherkis had eight tackles with seven assists, Mills had seven tackles and two assists, and Mike DelDuka and Cameron Pike had six tackles each.

Kurt Morgan recovered two fumbles, while Ryan Vail and Cameron Pike each had a fumble recovery.

Sports

High School Cross-country

MVC Championships, Oct. 12-The Telstar boys gathered first at the starting line to compete against all their conference rivals. Overall, the day was very successful with most of the boys running significantly faster than the preview meet on the same course in late September. Leading the Rebels, as the MVC Individual Champion, was Josef Holt-Andrews running 16:21 over the 5k course besting his nearest competitor by over a minute. Despite losing one of his shoes in the first quarter mile of the race, Bronson Dean managed to race to 6th overall, in a time of 18:08, achieving MVC First Team honors. The other scorers for the Telstar's team were Greg Wheeler (26th 19:47), Henry Brooks (56th 21:22) and John Brooks (68th 23:38). Strong running and numerous course PR's positioned them in 7th place in the team competition.

The lady Rebels fielded a full team for the first time in almost a decade at the MVC Championship Race. Gabi Stone ran a course PR to give her MVC Second Team honors. She really pushed hard the last ¼ mile moving her from 12th place to a final finishing position of 9th overall with a time of 22:53. Following up to complete the team scoring were Carla Boyle-Wight (40th 26:01), Kaitlyn Brown (41st 26:08), Rebecca Tuttle (46th 27:24) and Anna Hawthorne (47th 27:27). Even with a couple of minor injuries, the girls really came together with a strong pack, placing them as the seventh place team.

Both teams really worked together with every runner seeing great improvement over the tough, hilly and muddy course. On Saturday the team will be competing in the Class C regional championships at Twin Brooks in Cumberland. -Coach Crooker

TMS Varsity Soccer

Telstar 5, Dirigo 0: Oct. 16- Telstar's Kellen True started off the game with two goals, one assisted by Matthew Bennett, the other by Avry Griffin. Avry then scored three goals scoring his first hat trick of the season. Two assists by Schuyler Leff and the third from Zach Stone. Josh Eliot recorded the shut out in goal aided by an impressive defense in front of him not allowing one shot on goal the entire game. -Coach Mark Kenney

Telstar 3, Spruce Mt. 1: Oct. 12- Telstar played through freezing temperatures and snow squalls Friday to defeat Spruce Mountain after going down 1-0 on an early goal by the Phoenix. Schuyler Leff played a great goal in game supported by his amazing defensive line. Kellen True got the score tied on an assist from Hakan Chartier, he scored a second goal assisted by Avry Griffin. Later in the second half Avry scored a goal of his own assisted by Joseph Dillon. The team did a great job to play in the tough weather conditions and to avenge their only loss on the season earlier to Spruce. -Coach Mark Kenney

TMS Varsity Field Hockey

Telstar 6, Dirigo 0: Oct. 1- Telstar's India Orino and Natasha Hart each had one goal. Tehya Johnson and Caroline Finley each pulled in two goals. Shelby Cowin and Tehya Johnson carried in two assists. Great defense by Mercedes Letourneau, Wynter Morin and Ellie Bailey.

Telstar-6, Dirigo 0. India Orino scored the season's first hat trick. Shelby Cowin and Tehya Johnson each had one goal. India Orino brought in four goals, two were assisted by Tehya Johnson. Taylor Merrill played incredible defense, along with Sierra Ryerson and Jillian Thielbar. Nice offensive plays by Alice Pelletier, Taylor Mason and Emalee Harrington.

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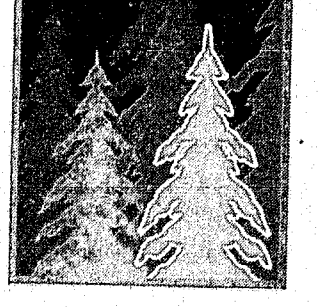
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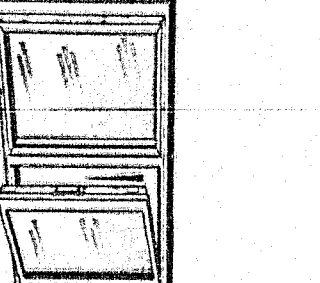
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NOTICE OF SALE OF TIME-SHARE ESTATES UNDER TITLE 33, SECTION 595 OF THE MAINE REVISED STATUTES ANNOTATED

THE FAIRWAY/MILLBROOK TOWNHOUSES CONDOMINIUM BETHEL, ME

By virtue of the Condominium Declaration and By-Laws of the Fairway and Millbrook Townhouses Condominium, Bethel, ME, the Timeshare Ownership Agreement entered into between the Bethel Inn Corporation and the below listed Time-Share Owner(s), and Title 33 M.R.S.A., Section 594 establishing a lien for failure to pay assessments on the Time-Share Estate(s) held by the Time-Share Owner(s) listed below, the Time-Share Estate(s) will be sold at Public Auction commencing at 10:00 am on November 20, 2012 at the Sales Office of the Fairway/Millbrook Townhouses Condominium at 21 Broad Street, Bethel, ME.

Owner Name/Address	Unit/Week	Deed Book/Page
Rory & Jennifer Assaf Winslow, ME	615/23	3332/342
Michael Carrigan Westwood, MA	621/11	4253/57
Douglas & Marianne Carter Lambertville, NJ	612/613/8	3311/166
Christopher & Elaine Danis 617/14 Saco, ME		4170/49
Richard DeFilipp & Susan Bell Portland, ME	576/43	4170/34
Maurice LeClerc Concord, MA	520/12	2695/044
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	615/32	4775/43

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The Time-Share Estate(s) shall be sold in one or more lots, as announced at the sale, subject to:

(i) Covenants, conditions, restrictions, reservations, declarations, rights, easements, liens for future assessments, options, and limitations on title set forth in or referred to herein or in the Condominium Declaration;

(ii) Prior liens or any conditions a search in the Oxford County Registry of Deeds would reveal, including, without limitation, the following:

a. municipal taxes;
 b. mortgages;
 c. State of Maine liens.

(iii) Applicable laws and regulations of the State of Maine and the Town of Bethel municipal ordinances, ordinances and restrictions, regulations, permits and approvals, and municipal building, fire protection; and

(iv) The Time-Share Estate(s) shall be sold subject to real estate taxes assessed by and due and payable to the Town of Bethel, Maine and subject to Bethel, Maine real estate taxes for the current year. The Bethel Inn does not represent or warrant the accuracy or completeness of any information or any real estate figures received from the Town of Bethel regarding the status of the Time-Share Estate(s) and disclaims any responsibility or liability for their accuracy or completeness.

Possession of the Time-Share Estate(s) shall be given to the purchaser upon transfer of title. All rights of redemption of the prior Time-Share Owner(s) are extinguished upon sale of the Time-Share Estate(s). The deed to the purchaser for the Time-Share Estate(s) will be a Quitclaim Deed Without Covenant from the Bethel Inn. The purchaser shall take title to the Time-Share Estate(s) free and clear of any outstanding assessments owed by the prior time-share owner to the Bethel Inn, except that if the purchaser intends to use the Time-Share Estate(s) during the same calendar year in which the estate is purchased, the purchaser shall pay the assessment for that year. The purchaser shall at his/her cost pay all real estate transfer taxes, whether assessed to purchaser or seller.

The high bidder must submit at the sale a deposit of one thousand dollars (\$1,000), in cash or by certified or cashier's check, which sum will be retained as a non-refundable, non-interest bearing down payment to be applied to the purchase price. Checks should be made payable to Escrow Account of Michael T. Steven & Associates. The highest bidder must also sign a purchase and sale contract with the Bethel Inn, calling for a closing within two business (2) days of the public sale, at which time the balance will be due in cash or by certified or cashier's check payable to the Bethel Inn, who will then deliver a duly executed quitclaim deed without covenant. In the event the Bethel Inn (or its designee) is the highest bidder, no down payment or contract will be required. The sale will be made without warranties or representations.

The Time-Share Estates, if there are more than one listed above, must be sold in individual lots unless there are no individual bidders, in which case they may be sold as a group.

Other terms and conditions of sale, including additions to or modifications of the terms set forth above, may be announced at the sale.

While descriptions are believed to be correct, the Auctioneer and/or the Bethel Inn make no warranties or guarantees, expressed or implied, as to genuineness, authenticity, or defects, and will not be held responsible for advertising discrepancies or inaccuracies.

Prior to the Public Sale all bidders will be required to sign a copy of this Notice which shall constitute a written, binding contract wherein the bidder agrees to the terms and conditions of sale, and understands any bid made falls under the Statute of Frauds. If any bidder does not agree to the terms and conditions of sale, he/she must return his/her bidding card to the clerk.

Contact information for the Bethel Inn: Lynn Wilson, Tel. (207) 824-2175.

Attorney for the Bethel Inn Corporation: Michael T. Steven, Michael T. Steven & Associates, 111 Main St. Bethel, ME 04217 - Telephone (207) 824-2588

Signed: Allen Connors Vice President of the Bethel Inn Corporation

Obituaries

JEAN H. BODWELL
Jean H. Bodwell, 86, died on Oct. 8, 2012 at the Maine General Medical Center. Jean had lived at Hillside Terrace in Hallowell since her husband, Neal, died in 2011.

Jean was born in Milford, Maine, on Jan. 16, 1926, the only child of Gilmore Lewis Harris and Virginia Holmes Harris. She spent her early childhood with her maternal grandparents, Frank Holmes and Mabel Folsom Holmes of Olamon, Maine.

In 1930, Jean went to Stamford, Conn., with her mother to start school where her mother was a teacher. Jean came back to Augusta and stayed with her Aunt and Uncle Helen and Waldo Hill. She graduated from Cony High in 1943, attended Gates Business College, and was employed by the State of Maine.

On Nov. 30, 1946, Jean married Neal Bodwell. They had a very happy life together.

She worked for the State, part-time, while raising their son, Russell, and retired in 1986.

Neal and Jean went to Florida for a vacation, and liked it so well that they stayed for 19 years. Neal got homesick for Maine and his brothers. So, in 2001, they came back, bought a mobile home in Randolph and really enjoyed being back.

Jean is survived by her son, Russell, Thomaston; and three cousins: Janet Musk, Augusta, George W. Hill, Dayton, and Ann Wasgatt of Roseville, Calif.; brothers-in-law, Paul Bodwell and wife Sally, Bethel, and James Bodwell, Andover; a niece and several nephews. Jean was pre-deceased

by her husband, Neal, and recently by sister-in-law, Elizabeth.

Graveside service will be held on Saturday, Oct. 20 at 11 a.m. in Andover at Woodlawn Cemetery.



FAITH E. HART

Faith Elizabeth Hart, 79, a lifelong resident of Hope, passed away Sunday, Oct. 14, 2012 with her family by her side at home.

Born in Camden on July 12, 1933, she was the daughter of Raymond E. and Ellen (Thurlow) Ludwig. She was a graduate of Camden High School Class of 1951 and Husson College Class of 1952. On June 22, 1952, she married Obed Arthur Hart of Hope at the Hope Community Church.

Faith was employed by the Town of Hope for 25 years as Tax Collector and 20 years as Deputy Town Clerk. Her memberships included the Hope Historical Society where she served as Treasurer since 1989; the Mid-Coast Ladies Club; Hope Grange; Ocean View Chapter 20 Order of the Eastern Star; the Sunshine Club of Anah Shrine; Hobbs Pond Association; the RFD Club; and the Hatchet Mountain Snowmobile Club.

Her hobbies included reading, gardening, canning, and doing crossword puzzles. Faith and Obed enjoyed travelling and took several ocean cruises and three trips to Columbia, South America.

Surviving is her husband, Obed A. Hart of Hope; three sons, Dan Hart and his wife Julie of Bethel; Paul Hart and his partner Sharon Hanley of Rockport; Andrew Hart and his wife Sherri of Rockport; seven grandchildren, Lauren Hart, Lindsay Hart both of Boston; Joshua Hart of Portland, Casey Hart of Gorham; Christopher Hart, Kayla Hart, and Connor Hart all of Rockport; a sister, Ann Leadbetter and her husband Ron of Hope; her step-mother, Evelyn Ludwig of Camden; a cousin Muriel Pinkham of Thomaston; and several nieces and nephews.

A Memorial Service followed by a reception will be held 11 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 20, 2012 at the John Street United Methodist Church with the Rev. Peg Moser and the Rev. Ralph Miller co-officiating.

Interment will be private in the Hope Grove Cemetery in Hope. If desired, memorial gifts in her memory may be made to the Hope Historical Society, c/o Gwen Brodis, 367 Buzzell Hill Road, Hope, ME 04847; or to the Oncology Patient Assistance Fund, c/o Waldo County General Hospital, P.O. Box 287, Belfast, ME 04915. Condolences may be shared with the Hart family by visiting their book of memories at www.long-funeralhomecamden.com.



VETERANS' RECOGNIZED AT LOCKE MILLS LEGION—More than 100 people turned out at the Jackson-Silver American Legion Post No. 68 Sunday for the Oxford County Veterans' Recognition. Ann LePage, Maine's first lady, delivered the keynote address at the event, organized by Len Greaney of Rumford. Gen. Peter Ogden, director of Maine Veterans Services, presented Maine certificates of appreciation from the state to all the veterans. Personally engraved Maine Gold Star medals were given to widows or other survivors of veterans who gave their lives for our country. Maine Silver Stars were given to all recipients of the Purple Heart and former prisoners of war. In addition, female veterans were given a personal letter from the first lady and a specially struck medal honoring Maine's female veterans. Above, a Gold Star medal was presented to Arlene MacKillop and Bonnie York (center), the mother and sister of SP4 U.S. Army Neil H. MacKillop of Bryant Pond, who was killed in action in South Vietnam on Feb. 1, 1969. With them are, from left, Ogden, Greaney, and First Lady Ann LePage. Below, PFC James P. Cobb (center) of Woodstock, who served in the Army in Korea. Cobb received a War Period Certification for his service in Vietnam. POW-MIAs were also honored Sunday with a special table with a place setting, a small American flag and a red rose. Another veterans' recognition event will take place in the spring for those not yet recognized. Veterans who have not yet been honored, their survivors or friends may contact Greaney at 364-7485 or Len.Greaney@gmail.com. (Photos: A. Aloisio)



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Fundraiser Spaghetti Dinner
Hosted by the Spartan/Wolf Pack Football Teams
Sunday, October 21 from 5-7pm
at the American Legion Hall
Gore Road, Locke Mills
Price: Ages 12 and up \$7, Ages 5-11 \$5, Under 5 Free
There will be a raffle and a 50/50! Come join us for a fun night and enjoy having the football players serve you!
All proceeds from this dinner will go directly to the football program.
HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

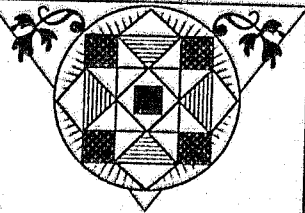
Card of Thanks

The family of Clarence J. Bailey would like to thank all those who encouraged us with prayers, cards, love, hugs, food, memorial gifts, and over-all support during our time of loss.

Special thanks to Calvary Bible Church and the Andover Service Circle for organizing the reception following the funeral, and to Pastor Ken and Pastor Duane for their love and leadership.

Mary, Children & Grandchildren

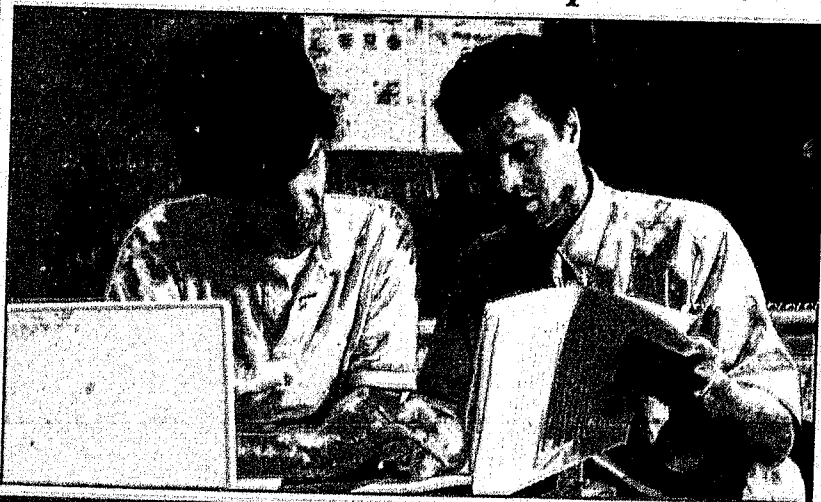
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Woodstock Elementary School
224 Rumford Ave • Bryant Pond

Saturday, October 20th
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